

Councils told to dock no-cover teachers' pay or risk legal action

By Lucy Hodges, Education Correspondent

Local education authorities are being told to harden their line against teachers who refuse to take the lessons of absent colleagues and to dock their pay. Otherwise, councils face being taken to court by themselves by angry parents.

New advice, which is expected to be issued next week to all local authorities by the Council of Local Education Authorities (CLEA), comes after the High Court ruling that teachers are contractually required to cover for absent

colleagues. It is based on a legal opinion written by Mr James Gaudie, QC.

In spite of the ruling, teachers all over the country are still taking guerrilla action in the aftermath of the pay dispute by refusing to cover for colleagues.

They are thereby technically in breach of contract and in breach of the agreement drawn up between unions and employers to end last year's pay dispute. The National Union of Teachers will decide

today whether to appeal against the High Court judgement.

It is thought that thousands of pupils are still missing lessons as a result of such action, particularly in the Labour-controlled metropolitan areas, although the shire counties are not immune. Areas affected are London, Liverpool, Manchester, Hampshire, Durham, Nottinghamshire, Rotherham, Oldham, Barnsley, Humber, Calderdale and Solihull.

Mr Ivor Widdison, of the Council of Local Education Authorities, said yesterday: "If an authority can be shown to be colluding with the unions by turning a blind eye to no-cover action which causes pupils to be sent home, there is a risk of legal action." The unions said they were surprised that the employers were taking this "hard-nosed" line in advance of the two-day negotiating session.

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Exam cash spread

Every secondary school in England and Wales will be receiving on average about £5,000 to spend on books and equipment for the new GCSE examination, which amounts to more than £30 for each fourth year pupil, it was announced yesterday (Lucy Hodges writes).

Mr Kenneth Baker, Secretary of State for Education and Science, said that central and local government were spending about £70 million on the new examination, which replaces O levels and CSE. Courses begin this September.

The Department of Education and Science pointed out that the new examination does not require the wholesale replacement of books and equipment. "There will, however, be a need for new text books for examination courses in some subjects," it said.

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Court warned of Wapping threat

A refusal by the High Court to curb picketing at News International's printing plant at Wapping, east London, could cause violence and unlawful behaviour outside the gates to increase, the High Court was told yesterday.

There was no reason to suppose that refusal to grant an injunction would cause violence and intimidation by dismissed print workers to cease, Mr Anthony Grabiner, QC, counsel for News International, told Mr Justice Stuart-Smith.

Any order against the print unions, Sogat '82 and the National Graphical Association, would not cause them any loss but would enable the company to disseminate copies of *The Sun*, *The Times*, *News of the World* and *The Sunday Times* without unlawful interference.

Mr Grabiner claimed that print-union pickets at Wapping were not there to peacefully persuade News International employees to stay away from work. They gathered outside the gates on express orders "from the top" to disrupt distribution from the plant.

Mr Grabiner, who was speaking on the fifth day of News International's action for an injunction curbing unlawful picketing at Wapping, said that the court was "littered" with evidence of individuals and organizations carrying out the policy of the unions in a "thoroughly well-organized and orchestrated fashion". A further injunction is being sought by Mrs Pamela

Hamilton-Dick, an advertising manager, to stop the use of abusive or intimidatory language and violence being used by pickets to her or other employees.

Mr Grabiner said that the unions favoured picketing, demonstrations and marches and the manner in which it was carried out was such that it was not for the purpose of peacefully persuading any person not to work.

Mr Grabiner said that the balance of convenience favoured the grant of injunctions against the two unions, three London Sogat branches, and four named union officers restraining nuisance, obstruction, intimidation and interference with contracts or distribution.

Mr Eldred Tabachnik, QC, counsel for Sogat '82, said that there was no evidence at all to support the claim that intimidatory behaviour by pickets outside the plant had caused loss to the company. Complaints of verbal abuse and insulting behaviour directed at employees going through the picket line did not constitute intimidation in the eyes of the law.

"More verbal abuse, however unpleasant it may be, is not an unlawful threat or menace unless it crosses the border of assault or violence," he said. The judge said that he had seen "plenty of evidence" of physical assaults on people who went into the plant. But Mr Tabachnik denied that Sogat could be held liable.

The hearing continues today.

Car trade split over 'E' plates

Clifford Webb, Motoring Correspondent

A record 400,000 new cars could be sold next month when the "D" registration-prefix is introduced, but it may be the last time more than one-fifth of annual car sales take place in a single "bonanza" month.

There is growing support among manufacturers and dealers for the whole system of annual letter changes to be abolished, to avoid the massive distortion of orderly marketing, which comes from crumpling so many sales into one month.

The Government has proposed that the month should be altered from August to October, beginning with the "E" prefix next year — a move which has split the trade.

The Motor Agents Association (MAA) says car dealers overwhelmingly favour a switch to July, while the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders (SMMT) supports the October move.

The Department of Transport, has told the two bodies that even at this late hour it is prepared to change its mind, if they can agree a compromise.

But last night the two seemed far apart, with the MAA accusing the SMMT of dragging its feet over setting a date for a meeting. The MAA says abolition could cost the trade 200,000 sales a year.

Austin Rover is leading the abolition campaign, in spite of the objections of the police, who want to retain it to assist them in identifying vehicles.

'Loyalist' killers back on the streets

Two of the most feared "loyalist" paramilitary organizations have re-emerged on the streets of Northern Ireland with ruthless activity, at a time of heightened tension and strained community relations.

Their activities have also been matched by violent sectarian clashes, in areas where Roman Catholics and Protestants live in mixed communities, bringing fear and forcing some people to leave their homes for safety.

Sectarian trouble usually occurs in the "bad months" of July and August, when loyalists and nationalists have a number of parades commemorating their different traditions. They also have the effect of raising the political temperature in the province.

This year the trouble has been exacerbated by loyalist anger at the Anglo-Irish agreement, combined with excesses of alcohol, although so far, the trouble has been confined to the wider elements, and is proving containable by the security forces.

Last night, Mr. Colin McCallan, aged 25, university student, was on a life-support machine in Belfast's Royal Victoria Hospital, after being grabbed from the door of his home in north Belfast, in the early hours of Monday, and shot three times in the head.

The outlawed Protestant Action Force, a ruthless killer gang, admitted the shooting — the latest in a series of sectarian attacks on Roman Catholics living in the north of the city. Two days earlier they killed Brian Lennon, a Roman Catholic, working on a building site in the loyalist Shankill Road.

The Ulster Freedom Fighters claimed responsibility for a no-warning car bomb which exploded outside a licensed restaurant in the mainly nationalist village of Castlewellan, Co. Down, slightly injuring two people. In a message to a local radio station, it claimed the village was a Provisional IRA stronghold and they gave a warning that they would strike in other areas where they believed the terrorists were supported or harboured.

The police operated a shoot-to-kill policy in Co. Armagh during the autumn of 1982.

Mr John Stalker, Deputy Chief Constable of Greater Manchester, who originally led the inquiry, was removed four days before he was due to fly to Belfast to question Sir John and his deputy about whether they had advance knowledge of operations leading to the shooting and alleged attempts to cover up details.

During his inquiry Mr Stalker discovered that the barn had been bugged and that possibly vital evidence was contained on the tapes. He was consistently denied access to them until April 1985 and he had still not heard the tapes when he was removed from the inquiry. He had expected to gain access to them on his visit to Belfast.

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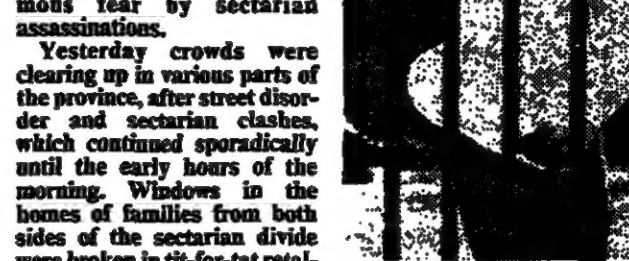
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Both the killer gangs were involved in a number of sectarian killings 10 years ago, and since then, have claimed responsibility for a number of random attacks on Roman Catholics. But it is their emergence in north Belfast that is causing most concern as this was an area early in the troubles when Protestant paramilitaries instilled enormous fear by sectarian assassinations.

Yesterday crowds were clearing up in various parts of the province, after street disorder and sectarian clashes, which continued sporadically until the early hours of the morning. Windows in the homes of families from both sides of the sectarian divide were broken in fit-for-fat retaliatory attacks. The Orange Hall, in the mainly Roman Catholic village of Dunloy, Co. Antrim, was badly damaged in an early morning blaze.



The burnt remains of the Orange Hall, top, which was destroyed in a revenge attack. Above, a rioter hurries a brick at police in Portadown.

RUC chief attacks inquiry leaks

By Richard Ford

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Level crossing death

Firmen attempting to free a car in which a woman died yesterday when it was hit by a train at an automatic level crossing at Petersfield, Hampshire.

The Waterloo to Portsmouth passenger train was partially derailed and the line was blocked for several hours.

The dead woman was Mrs Sheila Violet Hick, aged 47, of Stafford Road, Petersfield. The train driver, Mr John Budd, aged 45, of Guildford, Surrey, was taken to hospital with shock. None of the passengers was hurt.

Newcastle by-election

fordshire seat began a last bout of distributing leaflets and canvassing.

Mr Ellis said that the public meeting was the biggest held in the town in living memory and added: "It's going to be an exciting last 48 hours."

Labour canvassers also lent some credence to the Alliance claim that Mr Alan Thomas is now the main challenger to Mrs Llin Golding.

Those gave her a 38-point lead over the Liberal and a 41-point lead over Mr Jim Nock, the Conservative candidate.

Labour also admitted that its figures tend traditionally to underestimate Alliance support, though Mrs Golding

International arts festival is hit by Games boycott

By Gavin Bell, Arts Correspondent

The boycott of the Commonwealth Games has spread to an associated international arts festival due to open in Edinburgh tomorrow.

Nigeria, Kenya and Ghana have withdrawn from the 47-nation Commonwealth Arts Festival, and yesterday the organizers were waiting to hear from India and Uganda.

The boycott will deprive audiences of more than 100 African actors, dancers and singers, and has led to the cancellation of 17 of the 107 scheduled performances so far.

Mr William Burdett-Coutts,

the theatre programme director, said that about one-third of the two-week festival would be affected if India and Uganda joined the protest action.

"We are obviously very saddened by this loss of cultural exchanges, but it is not a disaster. We still have a wide programme constituting a major festival."

Tanzania, which is boycotting the Games, confirmed on Sunday that its artists would be participating in the festival.

Arguably the biggest blow has been the withdrawal of Nigeria's National Troupe, which was to have staged a production of Hubert Ogunde's *Destiny*.

Escalator scheme for castle

By Ronald Farr

A £10.7 million scheme to link Edinburgh Castle by escalator to a car park and transform the military tarmac takes place, into a permanent walking arena is among proposals aimed at increasing its attraction to tourists.

The proposals, among several put forward by consultants working for the Scottish Development Department, were announced yesterday.

The castle is one of the most popular ancient buildings in Britain, drawing almost a million visitors a year, but its popularity has been static where other ancient monuments have increased their visitor numbers by up to a quarter. Under the scheme, access to the castle for vehicles would be through tunnels that would not interfere with the flow of visitors through the single fortified gate. The 160-page feasibility study proposes restaurants, shops and audiovisual presentations for visitors. It says that the new arena would help to extend the tourist season in Edinburgh.

The study has been sent to Mr Malcolm Rifkind, Secretary of State for Scotland, who said yesterday that he hoped it would lay the foundation for positive improvements.

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Athletes settle in for games

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A political storm may have broken over the Commonwealth Games in Edinburgh but the 300 athletes already in the city are settling into the Games Village and their training routines. The village, normally the residential area of Edinburgh University, is surrounded by barbed wire and watched over by guards.

The main groups of athletes are expected to arrive in the next few days, but the village, according to its commandant, Mr Colin Cochran, is already taking on the atmosphere of the "Friendly Games".

Tomorrow a flag-raising ceremony is planned, but the organizers remain unsure how many countries will be represented at it.

Mr Cochran has said accommodation is being held as planned for all the countries who originally said they were coming to Edinburgh. "We have to be ready for any change of heart," he said.

Mr Roy Dutton, a New Zealand official attending a meeting of the Commonwealth Games Federation in Edinburgh yesterday, said that although the threat of boycott could severely damage the future of the games, he believed the event would go ahead in 1990 in New Zealand.

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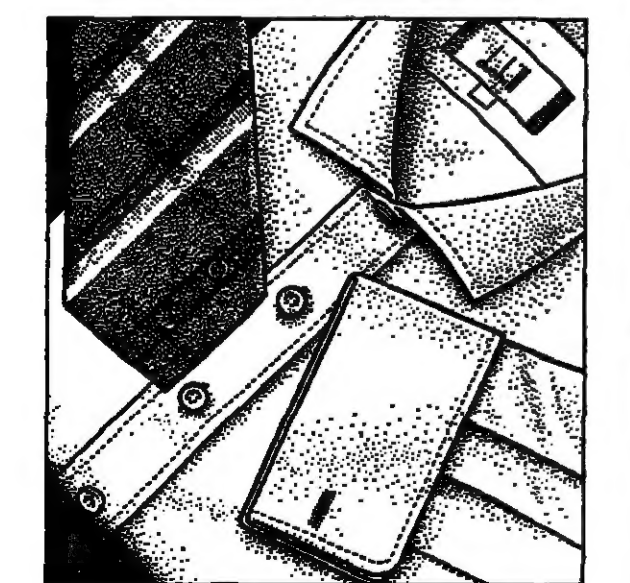
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Hopes fade for tin mines in Cornwall

By Sheila Gunn, Political Staff

Hopes of saving the three Cornish tin mines owned by Rio Tinto Zinc receded yesterday after Mr Paul Channon, Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, refused to give any sign of supporting the call for financial help.

Redundancies at Pendarves, Wheal Jane and South Crofty take effect on August 1. But Mr Channon said he would not be making a statement on the issue before the summer recess.

The mines fell victim to the fall in the price of tin after the International Tin Council ran out of money to support prices.

Mr Channon and Mrs Lynda Chalker, Minister of State at the Foreign Office, faced the most relentless interrogation from the all-party Commons Trade and Industry Committee

over the failure to foresee the tin council's collapse or disclose information.

Mr Kenneth Warren, the committee chairman and Conservative MP for Hastings, said later that the committee will summon Mr Robin Leigh-Pemberton, Governor of the Bank of England, to explain why he had not given a warning of the collapse of the tin council. But he said that might not be possible before the recess.

MPs complained that a decision was made by the Bank overnight to rescue Johnson Matthey, the gold bullion dealers, while the problems facing the Cornish tin mines were largely ignored.

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Daily Mail seeks tax ruling

The owners of the Daily Mail are to seek a High Court ruling on whether they need government permission to move to The Netherlands to save tax.

The Daily Mail and General Trust PLC was yesterday given leave to challenge the Treasury's refusal to acknowledge that government consent is not required.

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TV film of opera cancelled

By Gavin Bell, Arts Correspondent

There will be no television recording of a Glyndebourne opera this year, for the first time in more than 30 years, because of a dispute between the BBC and Sir Peter Hall, the artistic director.

The corporation said yesterday that a concession by Sir Peter last weekend had come too late to reschedule the planned recording next month of his production of Verdi's *Simon Boccanegra*.

The initial contract was cancelled last week when the BBC and the director were unable to resolve artistic differences. Sir Peter later withdrew his objections in deference to chorus members and stage staff, who stood to lose hundreds of pounds in fees.

The committee, chaired by Sir Anthony Buck, Conservative MP for Colchester North, conducted a two-year investigation into the system, which allows councils to ignore findings that they were guilty of injustice.

Most councils, according to the select committee, offered redress when one of the five local ombudsmen in Britain found them guilty of maladministration or injustice.

In England, between 1974 and 1984, out of more than 1,300 cases of injustice caused by maladministration, 87 involving 68 councils had not been remedied. In Scotland remedies were not offered in four out of 20 cases in 1984.

Local Government Enforcement of Remedies, Commons Paper 448 (Stationery Office, £9.50).

Correction

Our report on June 27 concerning the Police Complaints Authority and Mr John Stalker, Deputy Chief Constable of Manchester, should have referred to allegations of "sufficient substance" not "suspicious substance".

Independent observers expect Mrs Golding to win in a low poll with the Alliance beating the Tories into third place.

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Doctors fight NHS bondage

Hospital doctors yesterday launched proposals to introduce a new career structure to help them escape the constraints of the National Health Service.

The 5,000-member Hospital Doctors' Association (HDA) said that proposals to create an independent grade of consultant would be a "major step" towards ending the "bondage" of the NHS.

Mr Pamela Morrison, HDA executive officer, said the proposals would allow consultants to leave the NHS and set up their own practices, or to work for the private sector.

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Videotaped interviews in child abuse cases criticized by judge

By Frances Gibb, Legal Affairs Correspondent

A controversial new questioning technique recorded on videotape in cases of child sex abuse has been strongly criticized by a High Court judge during wardship proceedings.

Mr Justice Ewbank expressed "grave disquiet" about the evidential value of the diagnostic interviews at the child abuse clinic at The Hospital for Sick Children, Great Ormond Street, central London.

In two wardship proceedings there were allegations that a child had been sexually abused by the father. The psychiatric social worker came to that conclusion after questioning the children with the use of sexually explicit dolls.

In one case, where the interview was recorded on videotape, "the interview had built into it the preconception that sexual abuse was likely to have taken place", the judge said. There were leading questions, hypothetical questions

and "a lot of the answers were left in the air".

While accepting that the videotape was not meant to constitute evidence, the judge said he could not agree with the conclusions by the social worker.

In the second case there was no video recording of the interview with the child who had allegedly been sexually abused by her father two years before, when she was aged three.

If the psychiatric social worker had asked one more question as to where the incident had taken place she would have realized that the child was not telling the truth. Looking at all the evidence, he was firmly of the opinion there had been no sexual abuse and he granted the father supervised access.

The questioning technique and use of the videotapes in court proceedings has stirred considerable controversy within the legal and psychiatric professions.

Yesterday Dr Eileen Vizard,

who worked at Great Ormond Street and is now consultant psychiatrist at Newham Child Guidance Clinic, east London, said that the judge's comments were not surprising.

"It is only in the last two years that child sex abuse has been presented to the judges; it is a very new subject for them. The technique has only just got started, and it is not surprising that the legal view is quite different from the clinical view as our aims are completely different."

It had never been intended to produce evidence for court hearings, but merely to help the diagnostic process, she added. The psychiatrists had the option of turning the video recorder off, but had decided not to do so.

In spite of criticisms from some quarters, there had been some positive and helpful judgements where judges appreciated the need to use such questioning, she said. "It is important not to over-react - these are early days."

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Doctors fight NHS 'bondage'

Hospital doctors yesterday criticized proposals to introduce a new career structure to help solve the staffing crisis in the National Health Service.

The 5,000-member British Medical Association (BMA) said that proposals to create a new subconsultant grade, announced last week by Mr Barney Hayhoe, the Minister for Health, were "an anathema" to junior doctors.

Mr Pamela Morrisroe, chief executive officer, said: "For a salary well below that of a general practitioner, the subconsultant will be expected to carry out all the routine and emergency work currently done by juniors in training."

"This will mean a lifetime of long hours on duty in hospital, to the detriment of the doctor's family and social life. The senior members of the profession have retained their closed shop by selling their junior colleagues down the river into a lifetime of bondage."

Midwives to seek parity over pay

By Angela Johnson

Midwives demanding better pay and recognition in line with doctors and dentists are planning to take their individual cases to an industrial tribunal, it was announced yesterday.

The Royal College of Midwives is co-ordinating the campaign to increase the salaries of Britain's 30,000 midwives from about £6,500 to £15,000, the average pay for a junior hospital registrar.

They plan a number of test cases against local health authorities that will argue that midwives use the same skills as doctors when treating pregnant women and should therefore be paid similar wages.

Miss Ruth Ashton, general secretary of the RCM, said yesterday: "A midwife does the same job in diagnosing or referring problem cases, as a doctor when looking after a pregnant mother. The doctor has no more skill and takes no more action than our members. This work is of equal value and should have the same remuneration."

Crew lands on deck of the Titanic

A submersible vessel was landed on the deck of the Titanic yesterday, the closest man has come to the wreck in 74 years.

Mr Robert Ballard, a geologist from the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institute, Massachusetts, and leader of the expedition, described it as "a breathtaking experience".

"We landed up on the forward deck by the mast and looked at the windlass, bollards and chains," he told institute personnel by radio telephone.

"We saw the ship's wheel minus the wood. It was all polished. We took some beautiful pictures of that," he said.

The wreck was located last September by a French-American team led by Mr Ballard. The Titanic, owned by the White Star Line, struck an iceberg and sank on April 15, 1912, during her maiden voyage. Some 1,500 lives were lost.

Mr Ballard and two pilots spent four hours in the submersible vessel, Alvin, yesterday, some 2-1/2 miles beneath the Atlantic, south-east of Newfoundland.

The Alvin approached the liner from the bow. "She's sitting like a knife's edge with both anchors visible," Mr Ballard said.

A British television crew is shooting a film inside the Titanic (Gavin Bell writes). Cameras from TBS have been mounted on a three-man submersible and a robot mechanism, as part of the expedition.

Mr Peter Williams, executive producer of the documentary, said that the crew was "very excited" by the quality of pictures it had taken since arriving at the scene last week.

The ITV channel secured exclusive rights to film the expedition after months of negotiations with the institute.

An hour-long documentary will be broadcast in Britain at the end of next month.

Doctor 'drank whisky as patient lay on floor'

A doctor drank a large whisky in his village public house after being called out to treat an unconscious man, it was claimed yesterday.

Miss Jacqueline Baldwin told the General Medical Council's professional conduct committee in London that Dr John Forbes-Proctor stood at the bar while the man, known as Red Pete, lay at his feet.

He drank the whisky, in the Brass Tap at Tongue-by-Lairg, Sutherland, Scotland, before examining the patient, she said.

Miss Baldwin is one of 14 people from the rural community in Sutherland who claimed that the doctor was guilty of serious professional misconduct.

But yesterday he was cleared by the General Medical Council of nine out of 10 charges against him that he worked under the influence of alcohol.

He still faces one charge of drinking whisky in a public house while treating a man, "Red Pete" who was unconscious on bar floor.

Miss Baldwin told the com-

mittee: "Red Pete had fallen down and crashed his head on the footrail. He was unconscious, cold and bleeding."

"A woman doctor who was in the public house attended to him while Dr Forbes-Proctor was sent for. When he arrived he was offered a drink and he took it. It was a whisky, a large one I think."

Mr Bernard Lidsey, counsel for Dr Forbes-Proctor, of Kirkiboll House, Tongue-by-Lairg, said the doctor gave his patient "the once over" before having a drink.

It was later alleged that Dr Forbes-Proctor, aged 46, who does his rounds in full Highland dress of kilt, tweed jacket and deerstalker and often drives himself in one of his vintage cars, carried his own bottle of whisky with him.

Miss Mary Beith, aged 48, a journalist, said she accompanied Dr Forbes-Proctor as he visited patients in Skerry. She intended to write an article showing a typical day in the life of a Highland doctor. "But it soon became clear I could not do it," she said.

The hearing continues.

Seven charged with £250,000 DHSS fraud

Five men and two women charged with an alleged £250,000 fraud involving the Department of Health and Social Security were remanded in custody until Friday by magistrates at Nottingham yesterday.

The seven, all from Derby, were arrested by police and DHSS investigators in a series of raids, after a seven-month operation.

They were charged with obtaining money by deception from the DHSS by supplying false names and addresses.

There were no applications for bail.

£350,000 for paralysed rescue woman

A doctor who was left paralysed after attempting to rescue a girl aged three, was awarded £350,000, in the High Court yesterday.

Dr Jennifer Morris, aged 35, acted with "very brave courage" when she saw the child trapped on a ledge above a railway line, but fell 20 feet.

Mr Desmond Perrett, QC, counsel for Dr Morris, said: "This is a classic rescue case. Without thinking twice, and the completely anxious for the safety of the child, she climbed over the wall, but she tumbled straight down on to the railway line."

Jobs hope vested in tourism

By Peter Davenport

Increased numbers of tourists could bring many thousands of new jobs to the North-east, according to a report issued yesterday.

Mr Peter Carr, regional director of the Department of Employment, said that every 2 per cent increase in tourism could create up to 20,000 new jobs in an area where unemployment is running at 18 per cent.

He was speaking at the launch of Tourism Co-ordi-

tion, a report which has been produced by the local offices of the Departments of Trade and Industry, Environment and Employment, in response to a government statement, *Pleasure, Leisure and Jobs*.

The statement called on government departments in the regions with an interest in tourism to contribute to planning and problem solving.

Yesterday, Mr Carr told a press conference at Newcastle upon Tyne: "The North-east has beautiful countryside, su-

perb architecture and an outstanding coastline."

"There is also the Beamish Museum, Durham Cathedral, the Roman wall and the Farne Islands, which all amount to attractions with an immense economic potential."

The report listed 19 recommendations for improving tourist attractions and facilities, including the improvement of overseas promotions, especially in North America and Scandinavia.



Mrs Erica Woodman, aged 31, of Ipswich, who became pregnant after recovering from cervical cancer diagnosed a year ago, hugging her son Samuel yesterday. She had been told she would probably never have children.

Cheap calls to test Telecom

By Bill Johnstone, Technology Correspondent

Mercury, the rival network to British Telecom, has fired the first shot in what could become a telephone price war by offering its customers a 25 per cent discount on local calls in London from next month.

The new telephone network, which interconnects with the national British Telecom network in May, has already attracted more than 400 corporate clients.

British Telecom is understood to be planning tariff cuts

on trunk routes in response to the discounts, but the cheap urban service is likely to attract more City corporations keen to reduce their bills.

"Customers in London will be the first to benefit from discounts across the range of telephone services," a company spokesman said.

"In addition to local discounts of up to 25 per cent, savings of up to 20 per cent on trunk calls and up to 17 per cent on selected international routes are also possible."

Mercury is about to embark on a sales drive, using local cable television networks, to attract more small businesses. Next year it will attempt to woo domestic subscribers.

The company will spend £200 million by the end of this year laying a 900km fibre optic cable to connect all the main cities in Britain. A microwave radio link to Scotland is also being built, to reach Glasgow and Edinburgh by Christmas.

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Call for a ban on cigarette machines

By Nicholas Wood
Political Correspondent

The Labour Party wants to curb drastically cigarette vending machines as part of a new crackdown on smoking aimed principally at stopping the young taking up the habit. It would not allow the machines in any places such as leisure centres and bus stations frequented by children.

It would also end the tobacco industry's sponsorship of all public events and prohibit advertising except at the point of sale.

Health authorities would be made to run clinics for people trying to give up smoking and public bodies would be encouraged to designate more areas as smoke-free zones.

The tough new approach to tobacco is set out in Labour's new national policy of preventive medicine, *Health for All*, launched yesterday by Mr Michael Meacher, Opposition health spokesman and Mr Frank Dobson, MP, his deputy, at a press conference in the Newcastle-under-Lyme by-election campaign.

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Games expected to be the biggest ever

COMMONWEALTH

It was illogical and undesirable that the Commonwealth Games which belonged to the Commonwealth should be boycotted by individual countries because of disagreement with one individual Commonwealth government. Mr Malcolm Rifkind, Secretary of State for Scotland, declared in the Commons. The games did not belong to any one country or government but belonged to the Commonwealth as a whole, he added.

He declared: Whatever views may be about the issue of sanctions on South Africa, the value of the Commonwealth Games in the past has been as an expression of the multi-racial unity of the Commonwealth. There is no better way of indicating to South Africa our abhorrence of apartheid than by having a successful multi-racial Commonwealth Games. Games symbolising the unity of which the Commonwealth ought to represent.

Mr Rifkind and Mr Donald Dewar, chief Opposition spokesman on Scotland, were at one in declaring that the best way forward was to urge countries of the Commonwealth not to boycott the games.

Mr Rifkind said that the present position was that over 2,800 athletes and officials from 54 Commonwealth countries had informed the organisers that they would be attending the games.

He hoped this number might be increased to the original figure of more than 3,100 athletes and officials if the five boycotting countries reconsidered their position.

I remain confident (he went on) that the organisers will stage the XIII Commonwealth Games successfully. Scotland will give its traditional warm welcome to as many Commonwealth athletes and their supporters who wish to come to Edinburgh this summer.

Mr Dewar, who had put a private notice question on the issue, said that while sharing the general regret about the troubles surrounding the games, he hoped that the organisers would be a success and so undo some of the damage done.

He called on the Secretary of State to dissociate himself from the call by a Conservative MP that the games should be cancelled.

It was a tragedy that the games had become the victim of Britain's isolation in the Commonwealth and also of Mrs Thatcher's intransigence.

Would Mr Rifkind make clear that the games were hosted by Scotland and not by Downing Street, the strong feelings in Scotland and their abhorrence of apartheid and the deep



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athletes to these games than to any previous games.

The games beginning next week (he said) still look like being the best and largest ever.

The organisers had raised a substantial sum. Following changes announced a couple of weeks ago, new initiatives had been launched to fill the financial gap. He remained confident that would be possible.

Mr Julian Amery (Brighton, Pavilion, C) would be taking this opportunity to condemn forthrightly the exclusion of Miss Budd and Miss Cowley from the games and explain how he had been the British public are at the politicization of the games?

Mr Rifkind: One regrets the politicization of any individual athlete to participate is a matter entirely for the Commonwealth Games Federation. I cannot properly comment on whether the exercise of that discretion by the federation was correct or incorrect. That is a matter for which they must take responsibility.

Mr Bruce Millan (Glasgow, Govan, Lab) the games will be seriously damaged by the withdrawal of five nations and the prospective withdrawal of others. It is futile to deny it, just as it is to deny that this is only the first damage to the Commonwealth that will be done by the Prime Minister's obstinate antagonistic attitude to effective economic sanctions against South Africa.

Clyde and Tyneside get frigate orders

DEFENCE

The Ministry of Defence is to order three Type 23 frigates of the Duke Class. Mr George Younger, Secretary of State for Defence, announced in a statement to the Commons. He explained that the orders represented about 10,000 jobs overall sustained over a period of years. He said that two of the ships were to be built at Yarrow Shipbuilders Ltd on the Clyde and one at Swan Hunter Shipbuilders on Tyneside as soon as outstanding contract terms had been settled.

The first ships (he said) will start building in the coming months and the second ship at Yarrow next year, although it is not yet clear what month.

The order with SHS followed negotiations with them in the light of the statement made by Mr Heseltine, my predecessor, on January 28 1985, which resulted in a satisfactory agreement on price. The order with YSL followed a competition with three other yards and the winning tender offered the best value for money.

These orders will demonstrate to prospective overseas visitors the confidence which the Royal Navy has in this highly capable warship.

It remains my intention (he said earlier) to maintain a force level of about 50 frigates and destroyers but the number of

frigates to be ordered in any one year will continue to depend on the resources available.

Mr Michael Hirst (Strathkelvin and Bearsden, C) said the agreement would be warmly welcomed by the management and workers and allow Yarrow to build an extra covered berth which would enable them to build more frigates more competitively and thus enhance the export potential of the yard to those countries which wished to buy this kind of frigate.

Mr Younger: I appreciate that this will be good news for many families who see valuable orders coming forward.

I am glad to hear that there will be development of the extra covered berth and if this results in better value for money, it will be to the advantage of the taxpayer and the defence budget.

Sir Anthony Buck (Colchester North, C) said the order indicated that the United Kingdom could not only build and maintain an independent nuclear fleet but could build and maintain an adequate surface fleet.

Mr Younger said that was right. It was worth recalling the four comments of Mr Denzil Davies, chief Labour spokesman on defence, at the time of a previous frigate order when he had suggested it would be the last such announcement the present Government would make in this Parliament and only cancellations would follow.

Mr Keith Speed (Ashford, C) said that it had previously been stated that to maintain a strong force of frigates it would be necessary to order three a year for the next two years.

Mr Younger replied that it was not as simple as that. To maintain 50 frigates at any one time involved a mixture of new build frigates and the length of time older vessels could be retained in service. The order indicated the confidence the Government had in keeping this strong component of the navy.

Mr Edward Garrett (Walsley, Lab) said it would show the world the British could build ships to the advantage of foreign



Garrett: It shows Britain can build ships

purchasers and this should be emphasised by those marketing the ships.

Mr Younger agreed. It should now be possible, he said, to present a very strong case for exports and his department would give every support.

Mr Patrick Duffy (Sheffield, Attercliffe, Lab) asked whether the starting dates for the building of the frigates, he said the precise dates were for negotiation between the department and the contractors concerned.

Mr James Wallace (Orkney and Shetland, L) asked if bearing in mind the pattern of new ships coming into service and old ones going out there would always be a surface fleet of 50 ships.

Mr Younger said that the orders had to be balanced up between how long one could keep the existing ships going economically and sensibly.

I have maintained the policy (he said), which has been the policy of this department for a long time, that about 50 frigates would be kept in commission.

Mr Denzil Davies, chief Opposition spokesman on defence, said the Secretary of State had not solved the fundamental problems of arriving at a modern 50 warship navy by the 1990s.

What would be the cost of the orders in terms of the Ministry of Defence budget in this financial year?

Mr Younger said the cost of these frigates was of the order of £115 million. While he could not give the precise price, there had been a saving of something like £20 million over what the Government had expected to pay.

Decision on Nimrod in autumn

EARLY WARNING

A decision on the way forward on the airborne early warning system will be taken in the autumn, Mr John Lee, Under Secretary of State for Defence Procurement, indicated during exchanges about the Nimrod project in the Commons. Seven bids were received on July 7, he added.

Mr Anthony Fawell (Stockport, C) had asked if the minister would update the House on the Nimrod AEW programme. Would he confirm (he went on) the British Aerospace have had nothing to do with this sorry saga and have performed well and delivered on time?

Mr Lee: We have had some horrors in our procurement programme. We are happy with the airframe part of Nimrod.

In a later question, Mr Nicholas Winterburn (Macclesfield, C) demanded an assurance that the contract to build the Nimrod AEW project would not be placed abroad.

Mr George Younger, Secretary of State for Defence, said any decision on the future of the project would have to take account of the implications of what Mr Lee had said earlier. He did not want to say more, because he wished to assess the competitors on an equal basis.

MP refused debate on Kent police

There was evidence of serious malpractices by officers in the Kent police force and concern over the consequent inquiry by the Metropolitan Police and the Police Complaints Authority, Mr James Cosham (Gillingham, C) told MPs, when he unsuccessfully sought an emergency debate on the matter.

He said that a member of the Kent force had alleged that other officers had been involved in systematic and widespread clear-up rates to seem better than it was.

Convicted criminals had been persuaded to admit they had committed crimes when they had not.

Fictitious offences had been recorded and then false confessions obtained.

The inquiry report was now with the Director of Public Prosecutions.

Sanctions will cause child starvation

SOUTH AFRICA

Mrs Thatcher's interest in morality in South Africa - by saying that sanctions were not a moral way of tackling apartheid - was a recent thing, Mr Neil Kinnoch, Leader of the Opposition, said during noisy exchanges at Prime Minister's question time.

What was she doing, he asked, about the fact that half the children in the homelands died as babies?

What was she doing about the basic atrocity of apartheid?

People here should not take lectures on morality from Mrs Thatcher (he said). Certainly, people in South Africa do not take lectures from her. (Loud Labour cheers.)

Mrs Thatcher: Nor do I take lectures from Mr Kinnoch. (Conservative cheers.)

Will the Prime Minister try once more to explain to Labour MPs that by far the best way to raise the dignity, political status and prosperity of black South Africans is not to isolate the South African economy but to follow the advice of Mrs Helen Suzman in securing black rights, expanding investment and teaching managerial know-how and expertise to the black community and to explain to industrial countries that they should follow that line instead of trying to ruin the South African economy, black and white?

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well by persuasion over the past 18 months.

In that time, the horrific truth was that 2,000 people had been killed in South Africa, why in the South African regime had launched armed aggression against three Commonwealth countries, thousands of people had been detained without trial, South Africa had two States of Emergency and two acts of unprecedented repression.

Is that doing quite well? (he asked.)

Mrs Thatcher reiterated that if sanctions did not work to bring about internal change, why in the world did Mr Kinnoch want to bring them on?

They would lead to starvation of children and wide-scale unemployment in South Africa and in this country. (Conservative cheers.)

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arguments used today against sanctions are those used against abolition of slavery in the last century? (Conservative protest.)

Will she also note that he calls the decision of the Commonwealth Games Federation yesterday a crack in the window of opportunity to have all nations come to the Commonwealth Games?

Mrs Thatcher: This House had a great deal to do with abolition of slavery before there was a Labour Party.

I greatly regret the unjustified actions taken in withdrawing from the Commonwealth Games. The matter of Zola Budd and Annette Cowley is not a matter for the Government, but for the Commonwealth Games Federation to decide.

Mr David Maclean (Penrith and Border, C) will she check with Conservative MPs how many letters they have had on South African sanctions? The issue has not brought great pressure from our constituents. It is whipped up by mass campaigns.

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Bureau but that was not economic sanctions.

We refused to sell them defence equipment but we also refused to sell defence contracts to South Africa. As for the moral issue, I see nothing moral in forcing starvation and unemployment on people.

Mr Donald Stewart (Western Isles, SNP): Why, in quoting *The Guardian*, last week, as continuing to say when she last took the lead in combating starvation and giving some indication that she is finding jobs? Why did she let Brandt pass by on the other side instead of sending moral lectures to people who do not require them and make clear that the guiding principle is support of the African leadership?

Mrs Thatcher: There were one or two rather sensible interviews in *The Guardian* last week as well as letters. Chief Butcher said in that letter "Today, more than ever, negotiation and peaceful change is within our grasp. Whites, more than ever, are ready to negotiate. Nobody can say exactly when and how, but the end of apartheid is a matter of time. Senseless violence will not help our cause".

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Peers reject proposal for free school meals

HOUSE OF LORDS

An attempt to extend the free school meal service more widely than the Government had proposed in the Social Security Bill failed in the House of Lords.

A new clause considered on report stage, which was introduced by Lady Ewart-Biggs

(Lab), would have provided for free meals for all children whose parents are in receipt of the new family income credit. It was rejected by 154 votes to 117 - Government majority, 37.

Lady Ewart-Biggs said the new clause would allow local authorities to continue to exercise discretion in favour of children from low-income families who did not qualify for family income credit.

The proposal in the new clause was the best way of helping low-income families under pressure.

Lady Tringham, Under Secretary of State for Health and Social Security, said the majority - around 800,000 - of children now receiving free school meals would continue to do so under the Government's proposals.

There was no change in their position and no question of the school meals service being undermined. Nor was any change proposed to the power of local authorities to subsidize the price of meals.

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Damages for libel by paper

A former printer with *The Sun* newspaper and his wife accepted undisclosed libel damages in the High Court yesterday over an allegation in the *Sunday People* that they distributed tobacco as part of an illegal smuggling operation in Britain.

Mr Crispin Pugh, solicitor for Peter and Ismay Bell, of Beckett Avenue, East Ham, east London, in an agreed statement, told Mr Justice Alistair that the allegation in an article headlined "Unmasked: £50 million tobacco smugglers", published on February 5, 1984, was the result of an error in a lengthy and detailed investigation, which the newspaper and journalists involved now accepted was wrong.

Mr Andrew Caldecott, counsel for Odhams Newspapers, publisher of the *Sunday People*, and the journalists, apologized to the court and said that the purpose of the article was to expose a widespread illegal activity as a matter of public interest, and it was regretted that Mr and Mrs Bell were erroneously implicated.

The judge agreed that the record of the action should be withdrawn.

Complaint against Sun over interview with girl rejected

The Press Council has rejected a complaint about an interview in *The Sun* with an actress aged 15 about a wild party.

The council said that although newspapers should not generally interview children without a parent, guardian or teacher being present, it did not find *The Sun* was wrong in the circumstances to talk on the telephone to the girl or to use her film publicity picture.

Dr D L H Patterson, of South Villas, Camden Town, north London, complained that a reporter from *The Sun* interviewed his daughter without her parents' consent; published derogatory statements about her and improperly used a photograph of her in conjunction with the derogatory statements. He also complained that the newspaper's effort to correct a quotation improperly attributed to her did not adequately remedy the other complaints.

The story by Michael Rigby reported that about 2,000 youths caused at least £50,000 of damage in a five-hour orgy of destruction at a millionaire's empty mansion in Hampstead, north London.

It photographed one of the revelers, Miss Sarah Patterson, and quoted her as saying people went in from all walks

of life with enormous quantities of drink and drugs, and it was an orgy of sex and destruction.

Dr Patterson said he found the placing of the photograph next to a headline which said "Party pigs run wild in £4m house" was offensive. He said his daughter did not make the comments attributed to her.

The newspaper's legal manager, Mr Henry Douglas, said the misattribution was due to an inexcusable error after the copy left the news desk. He said the newspaper sent a draft correction which it was willing

to publish. He said the newspaper apologized to the girl.

Dr Patterson said the draft was not acceptable. He insisted on a much more full and complete apology.

The Press Council's adjudication was:

Newspapers should not generally interview children without a parent, guardian or teacher being present. In the circumstances of this case, however, the Press Council does not find it was wrong of *The Sun* to ask the girl questions.

The complaint against *The Sun* is rejected.

Newspaper wrong to use 'West Indian' tag

The *London Standard*, in its report of the case of a man who attacked a couple, should not have described him as West Indian, the Press Council said yesterday.

It upheld a complaint against the newspaper by Mr J. Prie, of St Augustine's Road, north-west London. He said that it was improper to describe the man as West Indian when this had no relevance to the story.

The newspaper said that the Central Criminal Court was told that a husband was

Alliance choose candidate

Three women will contest the Derby South seat at the next general election, following the Alliance's announcement yesterday that they have chosen lecturer Mrs Pat Mellor as their candidate.

Mrs Mellor, aged 49, of Lower Pilsley, near Chesterfield, lectures at the North Nottinghamshire College of Further Education.

The seat is held by Mrs Margaret Beckett for Labour. The Tory candidate is Mrs Lucille Campey from Bedale, North Yorkshire.

Gas man fined over deaths

Norman Squire, aged 30, a gas fitter, was fined £100 yesterday for fitting an incorrect flue to a house in which a couple died.

Sydney Chicken, aged 59, and his wife, Mrs Marion Chicken, aged 61, of Rae Drive, Brixham, Devon, died of carbon monoxide poisoning caused by a blocked flue, magistrates at Torquay were told. Squire, of Chard Road, Exeter, admitted breaking building regulations.

TUC in strike expansion

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TUC target is 1m jobs in strategy aimed at expanded public sector

The Trades Union Congress yesterday published proposals intended to create more than a million new jobs in two years.

The TUC accepted that it was an ambitious target but claimed it was achievable.

It said that to set sights any lower would mean condemning people to even longer periods of deprivation, a further loss of output and high levels of spending on unemployment benefits.

The "million jobs" target is the first phase of the TUC's medium-term employment strategy, outlined in its 1986 economic review.

The review goes on to focus on the range of measures that would be needed to bring about further cuts in unemployment, with the ultimate aim of getting the figures below 1979 levels.

Four key elements of the TUC's employment package are:

- Increased public investment, initially concentrating on repair and maintenance but gradually increasing spending on new construction projects;
- Expanded public services;
- Expanded and improved special employment and training measures;
- Reductions in working time.

The review, which also

includes an important statement on the TUC's approach to technological change, sets out to answer the question of where the new jobs are going to come from.

Mr Norman Willis, the TUC general secretary, says in a foreword to the review: "The Government's economic experiment has failed and the cost of failure has been high. Our industries have not become more efficient. There has been no productivity miracle. More jobs have been destroyed than created. Britain lags behind in the technology race."

The review says that British industry has become smaller and weaker, not stronger and fitter, because of government policies. Britain's future success depends on moving away from the Government's approach of pay cuts and greater job insecurity, it says.

It calls for an expansion of the public sector as a first step in industrial recovery, saying that this would be "one of the quickest and most effective ways of providing jobs for the unemployed."

It says that investment in the public infrastructure - houses, roads and railways, water and sewers, hospitals and schools - has been allowed to run down to dangerous levels, yet there are

450,000 unemployed construction workers.

The review states: "A concerted medium-term economic strategy is needed to get back towards full employment."

It says, however, that unless a longer term view is taken, the fall in unemployment may not be sustained.

The TUC contrasts its own plan with the Government's medium-term financial strategy, based on money supply and public borrowing targets, which, it says, is one of the causes of the unemployment problem.

It goes on: "The first phase of the MTES would reduce registered unemployment by one million in two years. This may well mean creating more than a million jobs as some of the new jobs will inevitably be filled by unregistered unemployed workers."

The review adds: "Even when this million target is achieved this will still leave over two million registered unemployed. This level of unemployment would have been inconceivable before 1979, so further targets will have to be set which will in part depend on the success in meeting the initial one million target, but which will eventually aim to reduce unemployment below 1979 levels."



Police Constable Brian Chester making friends yesterday with Martyn Green, aged four, when he returned to the beat in Coventry

PC who shot boy back on beat to warm welcome

By Craig Seton

Police Constable Brian Chester was warmly welcomed when he returned to the beat yesterday for the first time since the shooting of John Shorthouse, aged five, during a raid on the parents' home in Birmingham.

He said: "The last year has been a terrible ordeal. I have been to hell and back every day."

A marksman with the West Midlands police, he promised never to touch a gun again as he donned a constable's uniform for the first time in 11 months. He admitted, too, that in spite of the welcome he could face a whispering campaign on the council estate in Coventry, Warwickshire, where he is a community policeman.

About 100 people applauded and cheered his return and women planted kisses on his cheek, but others gave a warning that there was still bad feeling about his return, and said that he could face danger if he tried to arrest anyone in future.

PC Chester, aged 35, who disclosed that he still hopes to be promoted to sergeant, was mobbed by the crowd in a shopping precinct in Willenhall as he took young children in his arms and was pursued by a score of reporters and photographers.

At his first press conference since his acquittal at Stafford Crown Court two weeks ago, PC Chester said that he felt tremendous relief to be back on duty.

A married man with three children, he said he had had no contact with Mrs Jacqueline Shorthouse, aged 25, the dead boy's mother, who had expressed her bitterness at his acquittal.

"I feel very deeply for the Shorthouse family and I have every sympathy for Mrs Shorthouse. I am sorry she cannot accept that it was an accident and I know she will never forget."

PC Chester, who was reinstated last week after nearly a year on suspension, said that he had received between 800 and 900 letters from all over the country, all of them offering support.

He said that he had had butterflies about returning to duty, but added: "It has always been my intention to return to the job I have done since I left school 17 years ago. The police is my life."

He said that he supported the aim of Mr Geoffrey Dear, Chief Constable of the West Midlands, to set up an elite firearms squad on permanent stand-by to replace "part-time" marksmen such as himself.

£1,500 for 'innocent burglar'

A woman has been awarded £1,500 damages against the police after she was arrested for breaking into her own home.

Mrs Jill Bryant, aged 51, had left her husband, but returned to their home at Shipton-under-Wychwood, Oxfordshire, to pick up personal property. Lawyers told her she was entitled to force an entry.

But police were alerted by neighbours and she was arrested on suspicion of burglary.

At Oxford County Court yesterday Mrs Bryant was awarded £1,000 damages against Thames Valley Police for wrongful arrest and false imprisonment and £500 aggravated damages.

Judge Patrick Meda, QC, also ruled that the police should pay 12 per cent interest on the award from October 1981, when the incident occurred, and Mrs Bryant's costs.

Mrs Bryant, who is now remarried and living at Dymock, Gloucestershire, said afterwards: "I shall never forget that awful day."

Man accused over bomb sent for trial

Nazar Hindawi, the Jordanian accused of trying to place a bomb on board an El Al aircraft at Heathrow Airport earlier this year, was yesterday committed for trial by Lambeth magistrates.

Mr Hindawi, aged 32, who faces one charge under the Aviation Security Act and two charges under the Firearms Act, did not apply for bail.

Muhammad Said Fadda, aged 46, a clerical assistant, of Ealing, west London, was granted bail, on sureties of £7,500, after being sent for trial on charges of possessing a pistol and ammunition.

Sale room £291,600 for bust of Bard

By Geraldine Norman
Sale Room Correspondent

A marble bust of Shakespeare which has stood in the same house in Warwickshire since it was sculpted by Michael Rysbrack, the British sculptor, in 1760, was sold at Christie's yesterday for £291,600 to the British Art Centre at Yale. Christie's had estimated the bust's value at about £150,000.

The bust was commissioned by James West, of Alcot Park, after he saw a much-acclaimed terracotta version of Rysbrack's posthumous portrait of the Bard. A cast made of the bust of Shakespeare in Stratford church for him to work from.

The sale also included a collection of sculpture formed by the second Lord Rockingham and his nephew, the fourth Lord Fitzwilliam. Again, it had never left the family. The unknown buyers at Christie's are thought to be American.

The most sensational piece was the monumental marble group of Samson and the Philistines by Vincenzo Fuggini which secured the top price in the sale at £345,600 (unpublished estimated £150,000-£250,000). It is considered the masterpiece of the late Baroque Florentine artist and is believed to have been bought in Florence about 1750 by the second Lord Fitzwilliam.

The work was sent to Wentworth Woodhouse, the majestic family seat built by his father, but was too heavy to take upstairs to the Great Hall for which it was intended. It has stood in the lower hall ever since. The identity of the purchaser was not disclosed by Christie's but the National Gallery in Washington was said to have taken an interest in the sculpture.

Science report Nuclear research stops forgeries

Bill Johnstone, Technology Correspondent

Research by the United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority has helped to make the £50 banknote more difficult to forge and has pointed the way for more efficient and cleaner car engines.

Scientists at the authority's Culham laboratory are developing advanced lasers, based on research conducted initially for nuclear reactors, but designed specifically for industry.

The work at Culham is an extension of the development of diagnostic lasers for thermo-nuclear fusion. Since that start, more than 16 years ago, the research has become far broader in scope.

Now part of that effort is being focused specifically on developing lasers for non-nuclear purposes. One of the most prominent successes for the atomic scientists has been to help the Bank of England.

Dr Ian Spalding, manager of the laser applications group at Culham, has just published details of his researchers' work. He says: "The uniquely contoured security thread embedded in the £50 banknote was first produced using prototype laser-controlled equipment developed and built at Culham for the Bank of En-

gland. This is a high speed mass-production application in which the shape of the cut can be controlled very accurately."

The nuclear scientists are also developing special laser tools which can weld and cut at high temperatures without the aid of a specially created vacuum, as is usually required in other processes.

A Culham design uses a 10-kilowatt laser for welding pipeline, 19 millimetres thick, in a single welding action, lasting about eight minutes, without the need for any local vacuum.

The work at Culham makes the laboratory one of the primary sources of knowledge about lasers in the United Kingdom.

Dr Spalding says: "What do computer chips, low-loss transformer laminations, abrasive grinding discs, aero engines, hotel signs, plastic packaging and heart pacemakers have in common? One answer is that lasers can, and do, play a part in their making. The laser is fast becoming an important, almost commonplace, tool for manufacturing."

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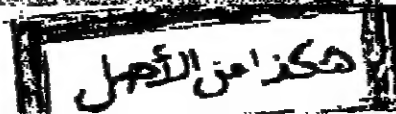
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The South African sanctions debate

Ramphal says trade ban is way to talks

By Rodney Cowton

Mr Shridath Ramphal, the Secretary-General of the Commonwealth, yesterday appeared to be trying to bridge the gap between the British Government and the members of the Commonwealth who are demanding wide-ranging economic sanctions against South Africa.

Addressing the Diplomatic and Commonwealth Writers' Association in London, he said the path to negotiation, not the alternative to it. They were needed to induce the South African Government to come to its senses and negotiate both the dismantling of apartheid and the establishment of democracy.

Borrowing words used by Mrs Thatcher to express her opposition to general punitive sanctions, Mr Ramphal said they would not be so much punitive as corrective.

He said there was a point between comprehensive sanctions and mere gestures, at which Commonwealth leaders could meet. To be effective, sanctions had to be substantial

and concerted, but they need not, at this point, be comprehensive or general.

The Nassau Accord produced by the Commonwealth heads of government meeting

Half white homes have firearms

Johannesburg — Fifty-one per cent of South Africa's white households possess firearms, according to a nationwide survey published yesterday (Reuters reports). The Markisa Research Group reported 60 per cent of Dutch-origin Afrikaners and 39 per cent of English-speaking white homes had firearms.

last autumn had embodied a staged approach with progressively stronger measures being put into place if necessary. "In the interests of making sanctions effective and minimizing the risks of retaliation against the front-line states, they could be so programmed as to make a full trade embargo the sanction against such retaliation."

Mr Ramphal said few doubted that such a programme could be devised. It might not be perfect and might not work overnight, but the truth was that pressure from within and outside South Africa was the only method of persuasion to which Pretoria had shown even a glimmer of response.

He said the reason that Britain had high levels of investment in South Africa and was one of its largest trading partners was that it had, over the years, strengthened its economic links with South Africa while other Commonwealth countries were deliberately restraining theirs.

That British investment and trade had helped the South African economy to grow and the South African regime to consolidate apartheid, he said.

Tanzania urges embargoes

Dar es Salaam (AP) — Tanzania has called for Commonwealth countries to impose sanctions against South Africa even if Britain continues its opposition to stringent economic embargoes.

"Should the British administration, in total disregard of an almost unanimous Commonwealth opinion, persist in its current negative attitude, we call upon the rest of the Commonwealth... to proceed with the imposition of sanctions against the apartheid regime," Mr Joseph Warioba, the Prime Minister, said on Monday.

He was addressing the opening of a meeting of the Organization of African Unity's liberation committee in the northern Tanzanian resort of Arusha.

"Britain should not be allowed to veto a collective Commonwealth will on a matter which is vital not only to the Commonwealth, but for the freedom of South African people and for international peace and security," Mr Warioba said.

He said last week's southern Africa tour by Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Foreign Secretary, was "to try to buy more time for the South African regime and eventually paralyse meaningful effort to dismantle apartheid."

Commonwealth countries should not allow Britain to use the trip to recommend alternative measures against Pretoria geared at averting economic sanctions, he said.

"Victory for the oppressed people of southern Africa is imperative. The people of Africa will never forget those who fail to join them in the crucial moments of the fight against apartheid."

Security issues in the region figured prominently in the discussions. The leaders agreed that dissidents and fugitives from any of the seven countries should not be allowed to operate from another country in the area.

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His reputation as the ablest politician on the scene, with ministerial experience going back 39 years, suggests, however, that he would not waste time on a hopeless mission.

Chirac averts sell-off crisis

From Diana Geddes, Paris

A head-on clash between President Mitterrand and his right-wing Prime Minister, M Jacques Chirac, appears to have been avoided after reports yesterday that they have reached a compromise on the Government's plans to privatize 65 companies and banks in the public sector.

On Monday the four-month experiment of political cohabitation between right and left in France looked as if it was heading for its first big crisis when M Mitterrand announced he would not sign the text of the Government's proposed decree on privatization, to come up for approval at today's Cabinet meeting.

He expressed his fears that a decree would not provide sufficient safeguards to ensure a proper price was paid for the nationalized companies, and that the "national heritage" would fall into the hands of foreigners.

The proper way to enact such important legislation was through Parliament and not simply by government decree which required no vote in Parliament, he suggested.

But he would be willing to sign other decrees on less important matters, even if he did not agree with them.

While the 1958 Constitution setting up the Fifth Republic is unclear on many points, most experts agree the President has the right to refuse to sign decrees presented by the Government, but



A passenger ferry, Okudongo 6 (top), with 888 people on board after colliding with a small chemical tanker, Santen Maru, in Kurushima Strait in the inland sea of western Japan on Monday night. A member of the tanker crew was injured and the ship's cargo of inflammable chemical leaked after the collision.

Flick affair rumbles on

Court rules on party funding

From Frank Johnson, Bonn

The deep embarrassment of the Flick affair for West Germany's carefully-created democracy has reached a climax with a soul-searching judgement by the country's highest court, the Federal Constitutional Court at Karlsruhe.

The court has ruled that the method by which the main political parties want to go on financing themselves is "partly unconstitutional".

The parties — the Christian Democrats (CDU), Social Democrats (SPD) and the Free Democrats (FDP) — have accepted the judgement. Only the Greens, who brought the challenge before the court are dissatisfied. They cannot see where the "partly" comes in.

The judgement represents the post-Flick mood, which resembles the post-Watergate mood in the United States. Like Watergate, "Flick" is a term embracing underhand goings-on — of varying degrees of seriousness — in high places.

All the goings-on were to do with business donations to political parties.

The affair began 10 years ago when an accountant in a

small town near Bonn discovered that a small local firm had been sending money to the CDU via a consulting institute in Liechtenstein.

Further inquiries revealed that a much bigger concern — the immense industrial conglomerate Flick — was also giving money to CDU and FDP organizations. These bodies were disguised as impartial research institutes so that no one involved in the payments was eligible for the tax incurred on more straightforward donations to political parties.

Two former Free Democrat Cabinet ministers — Count Otto von Lambsdorff and Herr Hans Friedrichs — are still on trial on charges arising out of the affair.

Chancellor Kohl, of the CDU, has this year twice been the subject of legal attempts by the Green lawyer, Herr Otto Schilly, to incriminate him in illegal payments.

But the courts decided that no charges should be brought against him.

The Bundestag (federal parliament) passed a law, which has been in force since January 1, 1984, allowing compe-

nies to donate free-of-tax up to 0.2 per cent of their total turnover to political parties.

This was challenged in the constitutional court by a Green supporter on the grounds that it was unconstitutional for private firms to be able to influence political parties in this way.

By ruling that it was only "partly" unconstitutional, the court appears to have decided that it was constitutional for firms to be able to donate to parties, so long as they did not donate too much.

The court decided that in future no person or company may give more than DM100,000 (£31,000) a year.

The judgement seems to be accompanied by the court's own theory of democracy, The Chief Justice, Herr Wolfgang Zeidler, delivering the ruling, said that the level of payments originally allowed under the law "violated the citizen's right to an equal share in the decision-making process".

Two of the eight judges dissented — saying that DM100,000 was still too high, and should only be extended to individuals, not firms.

Holidaying Britons stay home

Brussels — For Mr Average, 1985 was a bad year for holidays, especially in Britain.

According to a European Community survey, nearly 40 per cent of British adults did not leave home for a holiday and half those gave lack of cash as the reason (writes Jonathan Brande).

That still puts the British third in the EEC holidaymakers league behind The Netherlands and Denmark. At the other end of the scale, nearly 70 per cent of Portuguese stayed at home.

The survey, carried out in Britain by Gallup, shows British holidaymakers are more insular than most. Only 35 per cent of those who did go away took holidays abroad.

Tiny Luxembourg gets no prizes for leading the foreign travel league at 94 per cent. If you live in a country of 999 square miles, "abroad" is the only available destination.

But 64 per cent of the Dutch and 60 per cent of the Germans also travelled abroad in 1985.

For the French, *la patrie* has its attractions too. A mere 16 per cent of French holidaymakers were lured beyond their borders.

Mugabe loses top officers in crash

Harare — A total of 17 Zimbabwe security force personnel were killed in Mozambique last week when an Air Force Dakota crashed just outside a military base there, reliable sources have disclosed (Jan Raath writes).

The crash was described as the worst in the history of the country's Air Force. A previous official statement said that four of the 10 people on board had been killed.

The dead included two of Zimbabwe's most senior and experienced white officers, Group Captain David Rider, aged 50, who was born in Britain, and Squadron Leader Charles de Jong, commander of Zimbabwe's helicopter gunship squadron.

Sailors sample Eastern magic

Shanghai (Reuters) — The British destroyer Manchester and the frigate Amazon left Shanghai for Hong Kong, ending a five-day goodwill visit.

Each night about 500 sailors crowded into ageing European-built hotels to drink Chinese beer and listen to jazz played by elderly Chinese musicians, conjuring up some of the magic of old Shanghai.

Hess back

Berlin (UPI) — Rudolf Hess, Adolf Hitler's former deputy, has returned to his cell in the Spandau war crimes prison after spending a week in a British military hospital.

New minister

The Speaker of Malta's House of Representatives Dr Daniel Micallef, has been appointed Minister of Education and the Environment.

Mubarak tour

Cairo (Reuters) — President Hosni Mubarak of Egypt plans a whistle-stop trip to Paris, London and Bonn this week to seek support for tackling Egypt's economic crisis.

On remand

Rangoon (Reuters) — Thomas Andrew Kirkpatrick, a 36-year-old British teacher, has been remanded on bail for a week, accused of murdering his wife Lynn.

Sokolov visits the Finns

Parola, Finland (Reuters) — The Soviet Defence Minister, Marshal Sergei Sokolov, told Finnish troops yesterday that the international climate required military preparedness to maintain national security.

"In our unquiet times, it is necessary to take care of these things (military training and exercises) in order to ensure a country's defence and security," the 75-year-old marshal said.

His visit to an elite Finnish armoured unit took the veteran soldier straight back to the Second World War, during which he fought against Finland as a tank commander.

Entering the headquarters of Finland's main armoured brigade, he drove between two T34 Soviet tanks parked at the entrance.

The Soviet minister, who arrived in Finland yesterday for a five-day visit, said he regarded his invitation to the unit "as a mark of deep Finnish respect for the Soviet Union and its armed forces".

Finland captured scores of T34s during the Second World War, in which it fought against the Soviet Union alongside Nazi Germany. An old workhorse, the T34 is still in service — with some of Moscow's Third World allies.

Marshal Sokolov and a top Soviet military delegation watched a mock combat display by Finnish T72 tanks — the backbone of modern Soviet armour — and saw Finnish Soviet-built MiG21 fighters outsmart Swedish-built Draken jets. Finland and the Soviet Union have been linked since 1948 by a friendship treaty.

Must sign Bills passed by Parliament.

M Mitterrand has already signed the enabling Bill giving the Government powers to bypass Parliament and to enact by decree a wide range of social and economic measures, including the privatization of the 65 nationalized banks and companies.

Under the compromise agreement reportedly reached by M Mitterrand and M Chirac on Monday night, M Chirac has decided to eschew a collision course and instead do what M Mitterrand himself suggested, namely to present a new Bill on privatization to Parliament.

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Nairobi summit warning to Britain

From Charles Harrison, Nairobi

Leaders of seven African states ended a two-day summit here yesterday with a warning to Britain and other Western states that if they refuse to back economic sanctions against South Africa this will not be forgotten by Africa as a whole.

The presidents of Burundi, Rwanda, Kenya, Tanzania, Uganda and Zaire were joined by the Sudanese Prime Minister, Mr Sadik al-Mahdi, for discussions on a wide range of

issues facing this part of Africa.

It was the third meeting of the group this year. Two more summits are proposed, in Kigali, the Rwandan capital, in November, and in Khartoum next March.

The communiqué signed before the leaders left yesterday refers to the deteriorating situation in southern Africa, and calls on the international community to enhance the "war of liberation" by adopting comprehensive manda-

Mexico border bridges seized in poll protest

From John Carlin, Mexico City

Thousands of demonstrators yesterday stormed two bridges linking Mexico with the United States to protest against alleged widespread government fraud in last week's elections in the state of Chihuahua.

Police and army troops shot into the air to disperse the bottle-throwing demonstrators who refused to clear the bridges. Few injuries were reported as the Government, fearing the spread of violence throughout the state, had evidently given orders for the minimum of force to be used.

Traffic queues stretched for miles both on the Ciudad Juárez and El Paso, Texas, sides of the border as demonstrators formed a human chain across the bridges.

In the city of Chihuahua, the state capital, an estimated 20 per cent of shops closed as demonstrators held a rally outside the local government palace.

The ruling Institutional Revolutionary Party (PRI) officially declared victory over the National Action Party (Pan) in the election for governor by 401,905 votes to 231,063. It also claimed all but two of the state's 67 municipalities.

Italy coalition mystery

Rome — The political mystery of this high summer is what Signor Giulio Andreotti, the Christian Democrat leader, has up his sleeve to make him believe that he can still reconstruct a five-party coalition government with himself as Prime Minister (Peter Nichols writes).

All the signs are against him. The Socialists refuse even to look at his draft programme because they are furious that their leader, Si-

gnor Bettino Craxi, was not given the chance to put his own coalition together again.

As the coalition would make no sense without the Socialists, the first reaction would have to be to abandon his attempt to form what would be his fifth government.

His reputation as the ablest politician on the scene, with ministerial experience going back 39 years, suggests, however, that he would not waste time on a hopeless mission.

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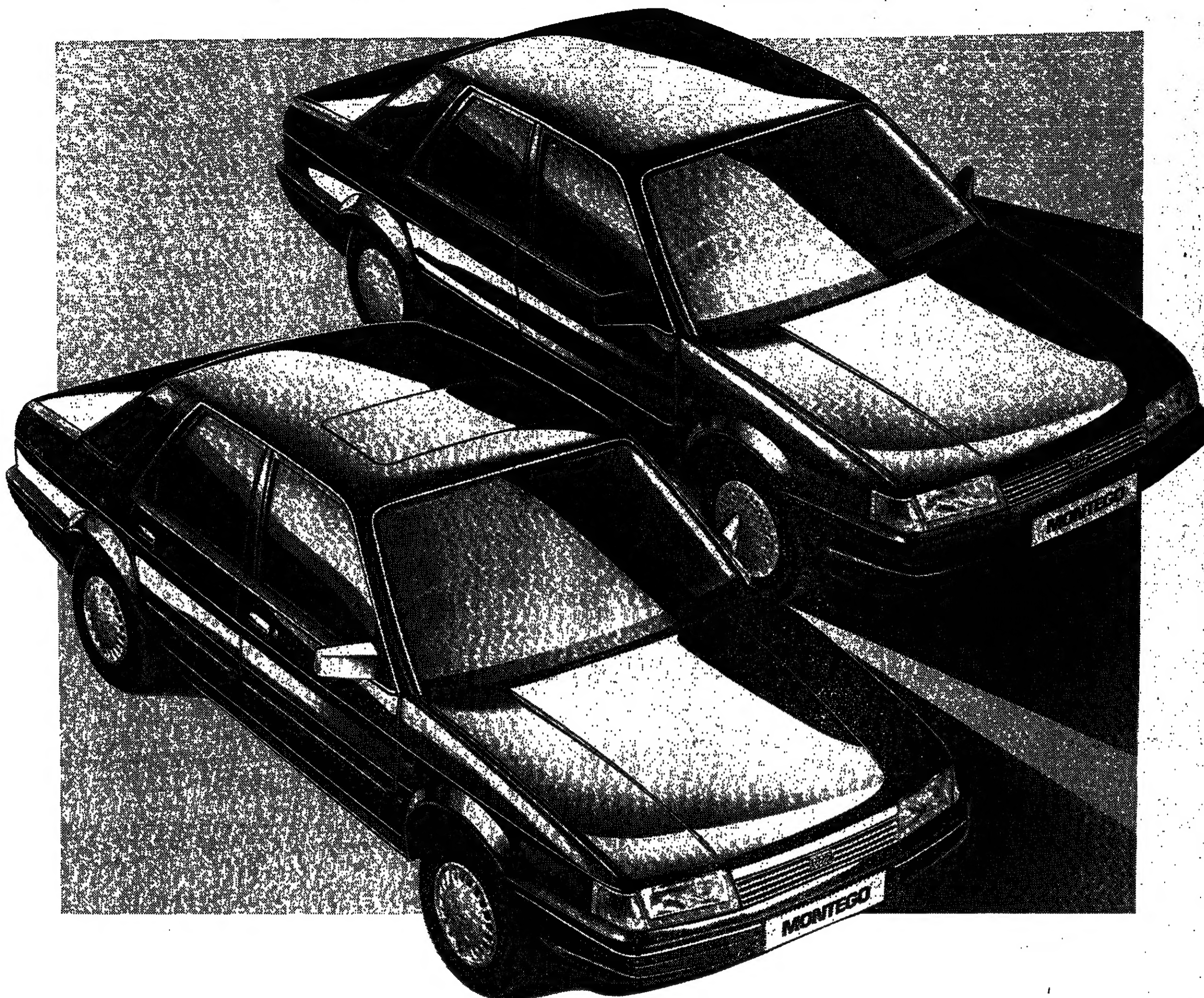
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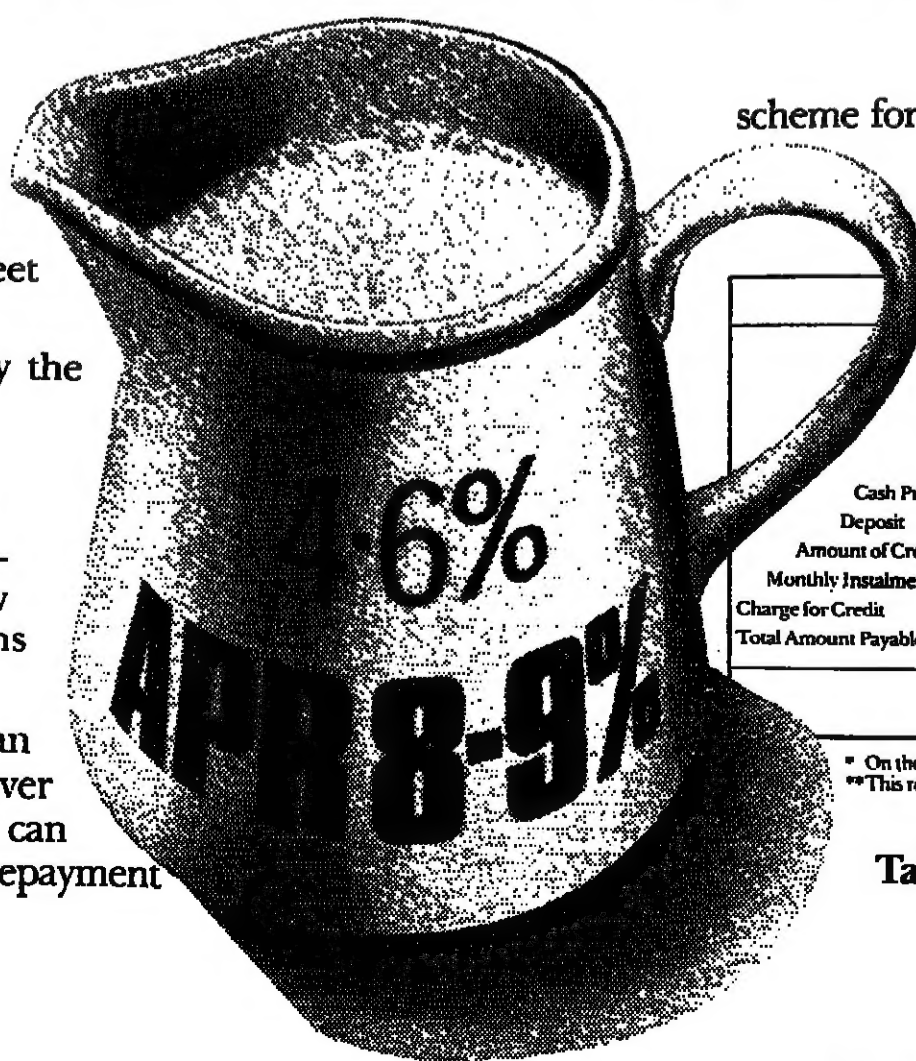
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Russians send out envoys to promote arms proposals

From Christopher Walker, Moscow

Mr Mikhail Gorbachev, the Soviet leader, has backed his recent publication of new arms control proposals with the despatch of a team of personal envoys to various world capitals to deliver "an oral message" to heads of government and to answer in detail questions which they may provoke.

The launch of this latest in a series of Soviet propaganda initiatives on disarmament was announced yesterday by Mr Gennady Gerasimov, the new Kremlin spokesman.

He said that President Reagan's response to an arms control proposal sent last month by Mr Gorbachev had been "too long delayed".

Describing the despatch of the team of special Kremlin envoys, Mr Gerasimov said that their brief would be "to emphasize the importance of solving the problems of disarmament at an earliest date while a war-starting decision is still taken by the leaders of states, and not by computers".

Speaking at a briefing at the Soviet Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Kremlin spokesman refused to be drawn on the key question of the day as to whether Moscow was now prepared to waive its earlier insistence that Washington join a nuclear test moratorium if the US made positive moves

towards arms control.

The initial hint of such a possible move by the Soviet Union to extend its unilateral moratorium beyond its closing date of August 6 even without American reciprocity was given here earlier this week when Mr Gorbachev addressed a meeting of international scientists opposed to nuclear tests.

"You ask the Soviet Government to re-examine the possibility of extending the moratorium", he said. "Well, first, it is in effect. That is the main thing, so there is still time and it should not be wasted. Naturally, your request will be considered most closely."

Mr Gorbachev then added in a paragraph being closely studied by diplomats to see whether it represents a softening in the previous Soviet position: "The Soviet Government will take a decision, and it will be conveyed to you. But, speaking frankly, what it will be depends to a large extent on whether the United States is at long last going to set about disarmament."

Mr Gerasimov yesterday sidestepped a direct question from a Western reporter on the exact meaning of these remarks to the immediate future of the moratorium.

Madrid in silence for slain guardsmen

From Richard Wigg, Madrid

In a tense atmosphere the people of Madrid and the Spanish Parliament, assembling for the first time since the general election, observed three minutes' silence at midday yesterday for the nine young Civil Guards killed in a car-bomb explosion.

A crowd of about 1,000, many giving the Fascist salute, sought to turn the guardsmen's funeral into an extreme Right-wing demonstration against the Socialist Government.

Eta, universally suspected, has yet to assume responsibility for the most lethal attack on Spain's security forces since the Socialists came to power in 1982.

Besides the nine killed by the Basque armed separatist organization on Monday, 34 others were injured, all but three policemen, were still in hospital yesterday, five in a very grave condition.

Fuelling criticism and the sense of frustration, Señor Narcis Serra, the Defence Minister, admitted yesterday that the Government had known for the past week that an Eta commando was preparing to attack somewhere in the Spanish capital.

"The Government is worried by this attack, but convinced it will finally win. The key to success is to carry on stubbornly and not to make spectacular policy changes," Señor Serra, who has shared



The coffins of eight of the slain Civil Guards receiving the blessing of the Army Vicar-General during the Madrid funeral.

responsibility with the Interior Minister for the paramilitary police, maintained.

Eta, he argued, had increased its attacks in Madrid because it was now seriously weakened in the Basque country and because a big city with a lot of movement offered an easier environment to terrorists.

Señor Felipe González, the Prime Minister, looking grim as he entered parliament, appealed for redoubled efforts to fight the scourge.

But editorials in many newspapers yesterday highlighted the inefficiency of the present anti-terrorism tactics

of the Spanish police. The so-called "Spain Commando" of Eta has managed to kill 20 people during the past 12 months in Madrid without being foisted.

The site of Monday's attack, the papers noted, was in a zone which had been designated for maximum anti-terrorism scrutiny by the police.

Señor José Barriónuevo, who has been at his post as Interior Minister since the Socialists took office, was another target for criticism.

"We cannot go on in this way," Señor Manuel Fraga, the Right-wing Opposition leader and a former Interior

Minister, said yesterday, demanding tougher prison sentences for terrorists.

Coins were thrown by the demonstrators at the cars of the service chiefs accompanying him as they left the funeral.

"The Government is the assassin," and "Civil Guards take out your arms," the Ultras chanted near the Civil Guard headquarters where the funeral was held as the hearse were driven out.

Other slogans were against democracy and the monarchy and for the freeing of Antonio Tejero, the former Civil

Guard colonel now serving a 30 year prison sentence for assaulting parliament during the 1981 coup attempt.

All traffic stopped for the three minutes in the Castellana, Madrid's main street, responding to a call by the capital's Socialist mayor to display solidarity with the victims and with the security forces.

● Club damaged: An explosion early yesterday damaged a sports club in Renteria, near San Sebastian, run by the People's Unity Party, the Basque radical nationalist group which acts as the political wing of Eta.

Australia faces new round of rationing

From Stephen Taylor, Sydney

A week of petrol rationing ended here yesterday only to be threatened again by a new industrial dispute.

Shortly after fuel workers returned to work and motorists began queuing to fill their tanks, seamen refused to unload tankers in Sydney and reserves of crude were expected to run out by the weekend unless supplies were allowed to reach the refinery.

An end to a week of petrol rationing was announced by Mr Barrie Unsworth, the new Premier of New South Wales, soon after the strike was called off. Deliveries were getting back to normal in Victoria and South Australia.

The experience of rationing has brought the message home to Australians that three years of industrial peace are well and truly over.

Further trouble is looming at the waterside over money-saving proposals to send tankers to Singapore for refuelling. The building and metal industries face disruption as workers pursue superannuation deals, and public servants are again contemplating industrial action.

Meanwhile, the dramatic deterioration in the industrial climate since the decision last month on the national wage case, was underscored by the federal opposition in canvassing plans for legislation to prohibit strikes in key industries, including fuel, transport, communications, health and defence.

British warning on chemical weapons

By Rodney Cowton

Britain said yesterday that there may be more than 20 countries that either possess chemical weapons or are thinking of acquiring them.

The warning was given by Mr Timothy Renton, Minister of State at the Foreign Office, when he tabled new British proposals for an international ban on chemical weapons at the Conference on Disarmament in Geneva.

He said there was reason to believe that as many as 10,000 people had become casualties of "this appalling form of warfare" in the Gulf war.

"We believe Iraq has full-scale production facilities capable of producing many hundreds of tons of mustard gas and of nerve agents, and that new production complexes may be under construction. Iran may in turn be taking steps to acquire its own chemical weapons."

Negotiations for a worldwide ban on the weapons have been going on at Geneva since 1981. In 1983 the outline of a convention was agreed, and negotiations have since centred increasingly on its form of words. More than half

the convention has been agreed, but among the remaining problems are provisions for verifying that countries are complying with it.

The proposals put forward yesterday concern a system of "challenge" inspections. Mr Renton said this had to be distinguished from routine inspection.

He said concern about compliance could be aroused by activities which could not be resolved by routine inspection measures. There had to be a fact-finding procedure which could be invoked.

There had to be a stringent regime providing for inspection on challenge in exceptional circumstances, and providing the mechanism of last resort whereby all signatories could "feel truly assured that their security had been lastingly enhanced". It had to act as a major deterrent to any contemplated violation of obligations under the convention.

The proposals specify a 10-day period within which a country would have to satisfy other signatories that it was complying with the convention.



Richard Miller: a "bumbling Inspector Clouseau" figure.

FBI agent gets life for spying

Los Angeles — Richard Miller, the first Federal Bureau of Investigation agent in American history to be convicted of spying, has been sentenced to two concurrent life imprisonment terms plus 15 years for passing secrets to the Soviet Union (Ivor Davis writes).

Although Miller, aged 49, an excommunicated Mormon and a father of eight who had been an FBI agent for 20 years, will be eligible for a parole hearing in about 16 years, Judge David Kenyon said he hoped Miller would never be let out of prison.

Miller had been convicted last month of passing secrets during an affair with Svetlana Ogorodnikova, a Soviet emigre, who was convicted of spying last year.

Miller, who said he was innocent, had been convicted of six counts of selling secrets in exchange for sex with Ogorodnikova, \$50,000 (£25,000) in gold, \$15,000 in money and a raincoat.

His defence described him as "a bumbling, inept Inspector Clouseau", who fantasized that he would become a James Bond character and redeem his reputation in the FBI by becoming a double agent and the first to infiltrate the KGB.

Zimbabwe renews emergency

From Jan Raath, Harare

The Zimbabwe Parliament voted yesterday to renew the state of emergency for another six months, despite earlier indications that it would be abolished.

In November, shortly before the anniversary of Rhodesia's unilateral declaration of independence, the country will have been under emergency laws with important sections of the constitution abrogated, for 21 years.

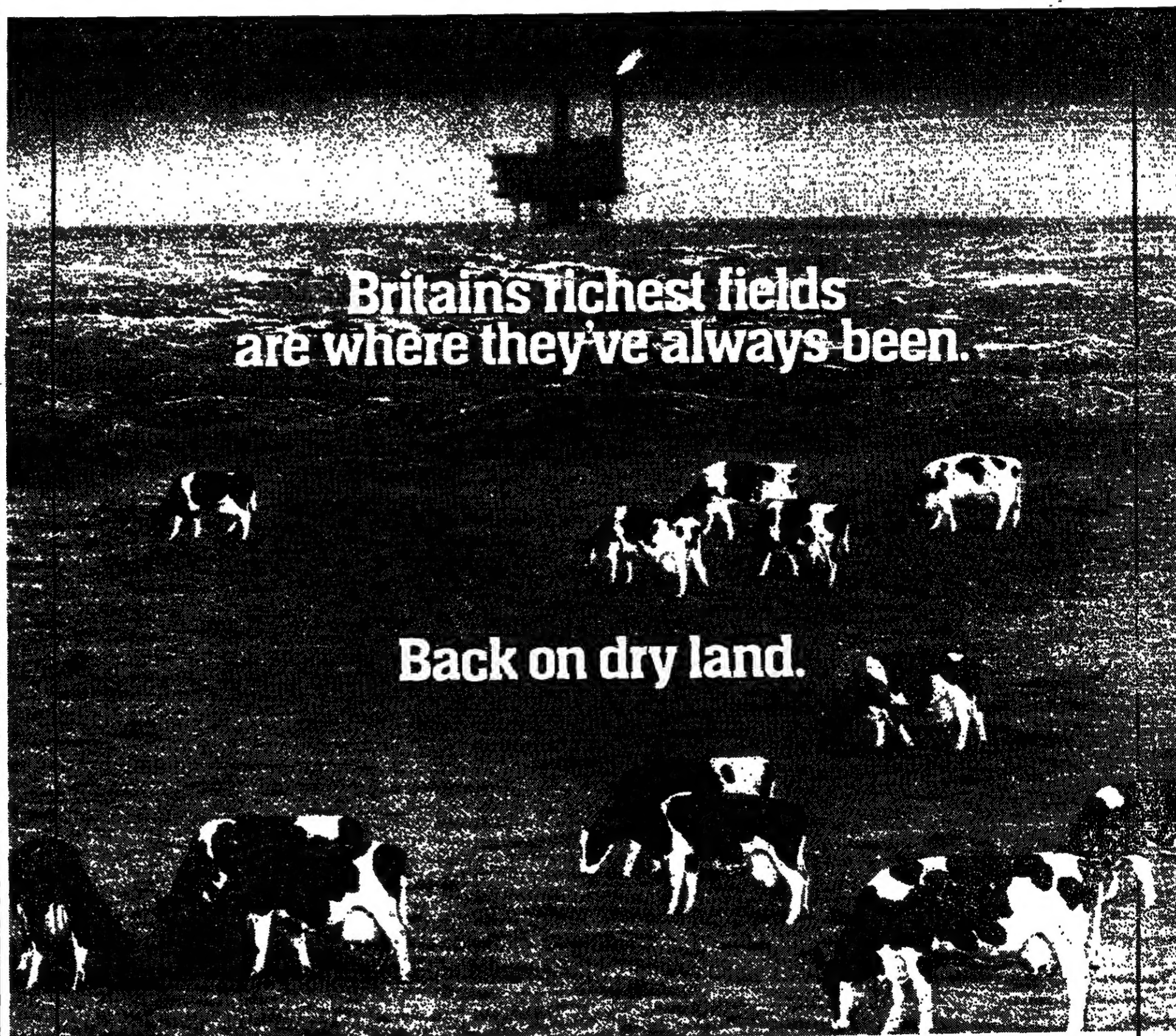
The decision to extend the emergency has come as a surprise. The Government in April passed legislation granting sweeping powers to the State President, and allowing it to declare states of emergency in parts of the country affected by unrest. When these laws were passed in April, Dr Edmore Zvobgo, the Minister of Justice, said the Government planned to lift the state of emergency.

Mr Enos Nkala, the Minister of Home Affairs, said in Parliament that guerrillas in the western provinces of Matabeleland had launched "a subtle and determined effort" in their "fantastic" hopes of bringing down the Government. There had been "a definite revival" of guerrilla activities since January.

He admitted there had been a slight improvement in the situation as a result of a joint rally he held on March 23 with Mr Joshua Nkomo, the leader of the opposition party.

He said that since January, 57 people had been murdered by guerrillas who had clashed on 71 occasions with security forces. The figures, in fact, indicate that activity has dropped by nearly half from the previous six months.

Mr Nkala said the guerrillas were being helped in their activities to "destabilize our country," an oblique reference to South African assistance to the guerrillas.



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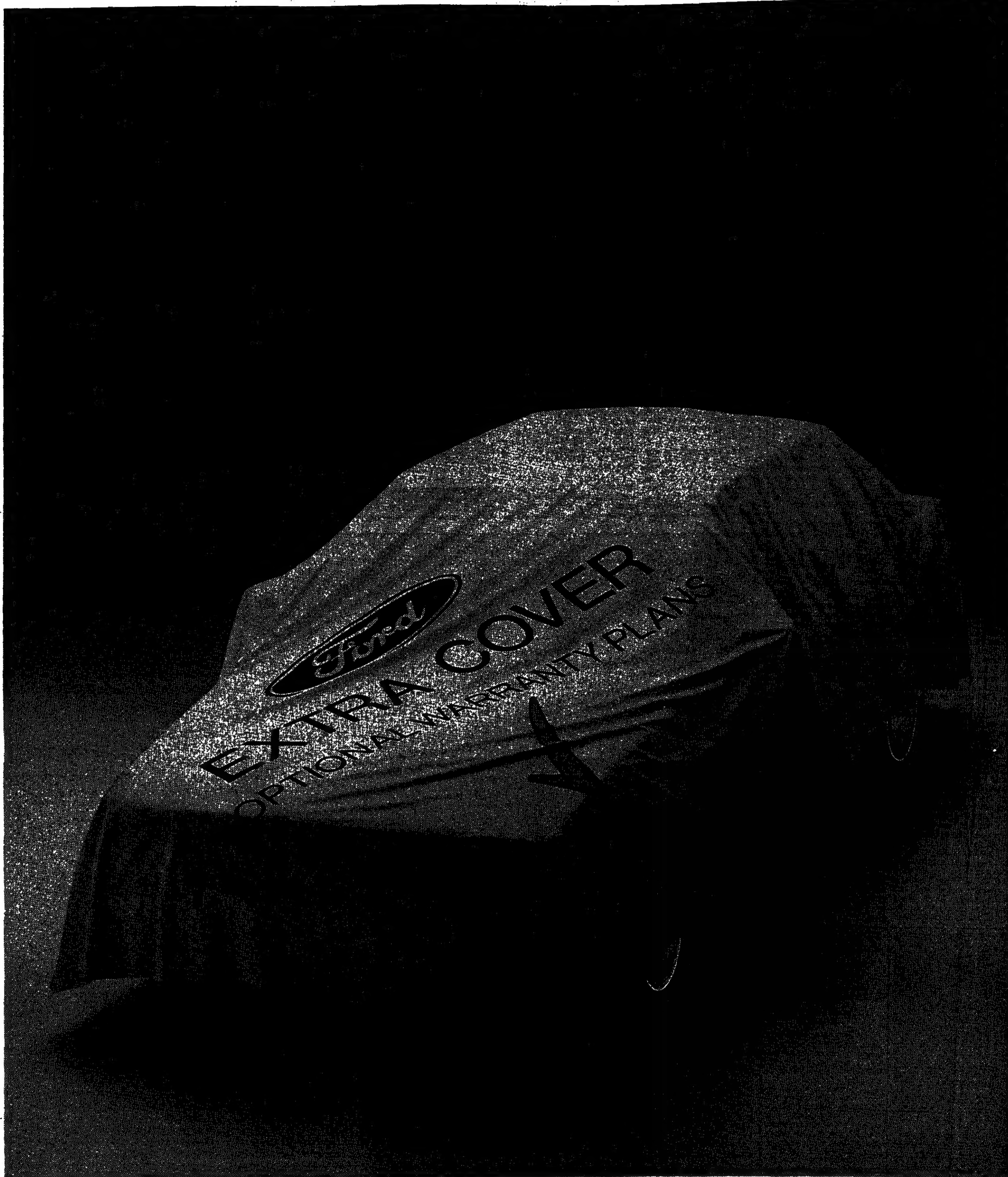
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Shin Bet agents ask for presidential pardons over Palestinian deaths

From Ian Murray, Jerusalem

At least 10 Shin Bet counter-intelligence agents intend asking for presidential pardons for their part in the killing of two Palestinians in 1984. They have briefed lawyers to seek the pardons as a direct result of Monday's narrow decision by the Cabinet to allow a police inquiry into the deaths and cover-up.

The men fear that the effect of a police inquiry will be to brand them as criminals and so make them scapegoats for the politicians who, they claim, approved everything that happened.

The agents' lawyers are therefore preparing a plea to put before President Herzog, asking pardons similar to those already granted to Mr. Avraham Shalom, the head of Shin Bet, and three of his most senior aides.

The High Court of Justice is due to give its judgement on Sunday as to whether such pardons are legal, since they are granted to men who had not yet been convicted of crimes. The court has to decide if the President really has the power to forestall a judicial procedure in this way.

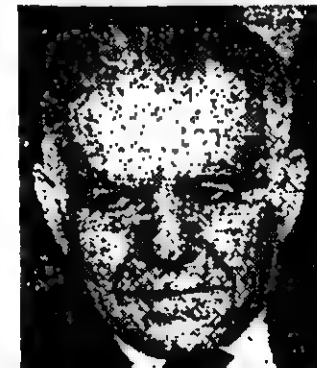
It has already been given statements by the pardoned men in which they admitted contacting evidence and suborning witnesses at earlier

inquiries into the affair. Mr. Shalom has also told the court that he acted throughout "with authority and permission" indicating that he had been authorized to order the killings and cover-up by Mr. Yitzhak Shamir, the then prime minister.

If the court refuses to accept the pardons, the police will therefore have signed confessions from the senior Shin Bet officers, along with evidence that Mr. Shamir was involved.

It was to limit the scale of any inquiry that Mr. Shamir and his Likud faction decided to opt for a police investigation rather than see a judicial commission set up.

The police do not have the



Mr. Yitzhak Shamir: implicated in Shin Bet cover-up.

political clout of a commission and are thus considered less likely to try to implicate the former prime minister, who is due to take over the Government again in October.

Mr. Shamir has so far skillfully read public opinion over the affair and has exploited the wavering stance of Mr. Shimon Peres, the Labour leader, to give a much needed boost to his own popularity.

The Likud leader aggressively refused from the outset to accept the need for any inquiry into Shin Bet.

Mr. Peres, on the other hand, first stood out against any inquiry. Then he was prepared to accept an investigation into his own relatively minor role, challenging Mr. Shamir to do the same. Finally he was won over by his party to support a full judicial inquiry — only to be out-voted on this by the Likud.

Mr. Shamir scathingly said that Mr. Peres was more interested in party politics than national security. When it proved impossible to prevent Mr. Yosef Harish, the new Attorney-General, from continuing to investigate the affair, Mr. Shamir persuaded the small religious parties in the Cabinet to support his preference for a police inquiry.



Mr. Ahmed Qureshi with his three children after rioters burned his wife and other family members to death in Ahmedabad.

Indian troops seize arms caches in curfew city

Ahmedabad, India (AP) — Paramilitary troops confiscated large caches of illegal arms yesterday in sweeps across Ahmedabad, and communal violence flared in another town in Gujarat state.

The United News of India reported that one person was stabbed to death and another wounded in clashes in another

curfew-bound city, Baroda, south of Ahmedabad. Riot police fired tear gas to scatter stone-hurling mobs in the city.

Some 5,200 paramilitary troops had been sent in by the federal Government earlier to control the violence.

No serious violence was reported in Ahmedabad, Gujarat's main city and scene of

the worst sectarian bloodletting in previous days. Some shops in an Ahmedabad suburb were set ablaze before dawn, police said.

Mr. P. Chidambaram, the Indian Minister of State for Internal Security, met top state government and police officials in Ahmedabad. He had been sent there on Monday by Mr. Rajiv Gandhi, the Prime Minister.

At least 52 people have been stabbed, beaten or burned to death in widespread communal violence in the past week in Gujarat, according to authorities. The rioting was triggered by Muslim attacks on a Hindu religious procession in Ahmedabad.

Sri Lanka parties discuss devolution

From Vijitha Yapa, Colombo

President Jayewardene of Sri Lanka met party leaders in Colombo yesterday, and a delegation from the moderate Tamil United Liberation Front for a third round of talks in three days.

He said all participants in the Political Parties Conference, except the All-Ceylon Tamil Congress, accepted the provincial councils system within the present nine provincial boundaries, without any provinces being amalgamated.

But if the boundaries were to be changed, some parties had alternatives to offer.

President Jayewardene said opinions differed on the constitution and composition of the councils, and on which functions should be devolved and the extent of devolution.

The Sri Lanka Freedom Party of Mrs. Sirima Bandaranaike and the socialist MEP are boycotting the conference.

Conflict casualties: The Government said its forces killed 11 Tamil separatists on Monday in the Jaffna area.

The Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam said a mine destroyed a naval gunboat yesterday off the Jaffna coast, killing 12 sailors. It was planted in retaliation for the alleged massacre on June 10 of 37 Tamil fishermen by naval forces on Mandaitivu Island.

Israeli bank chief finally forced out

From Ian Murray, Jerusalem

The recommendations of an inquiry public commission of inquiry into a banking share collapse in 1983 have at last been heeded with the resignation of Mr. Rafael Recanat as chairman of the Israel Discount Bank.

For two months he had refused to follow the example of the chairman of the three other main commercial banks and the Bank of Israel itself by stepping down, as the report required.

His reluctant resignation followed agreement by the Cabinet on Sunday that he could be suspended for three months while legislation requiring him to leave was drafted.

By then though, he, with two members of his family, have left the board of the bank, he will remain in overall

control of the parent company, the IDB Bankholding Corporation.

This is in defiance of the report's ruling that the bankers, who were found guilty by the commission of engineering the share collapse, should no longer have any responsible position in the banking world.

Two of the other chairmen who resigned have, however, also been given senior positions with their former banks.

Mr. Recanat, who said in his letter of resignation that the report was "unjust and without legal foundation", is determined to remain an influential banking figure.

The new chairman, chosen by the family to ensure continuity, is Mr. Yosef Cichanover, who has been head of the bank's US investment branch.

Frightened Haitians shun jury service

Port-au-Prince (Reuters) — Only 3 of 200 people showed up for jury selection in the first in a series of trials of five men who aided in the regime of the ousted president, Mr. Jean-Claude Duvalier.

Confessionals said on Monday that the prospective jurors were frightened to take part in the trial of Luc Desny, Elton Maitre, Jean Tassy, Lionel Woules and Edouard Paul, accused on various counts of torture and murder. Three of them were members of the Tomont Macoute, the regime's dreaded secret police.

"They don't want to have men like that seeing them sitting in judgement," an official said. "Today was a complete failure." The first trial was to begin yesterday.

Jury trials took place infrequently under Duvalier and are viewed by many Haitians with uncertainty and fear.

Masterpieces stolen from Cahors gallery

Cahors (AP) — Nine paintings, including works by Picasso, Dali and Magritte, were stolen from the Municipal Museum here at the weekend.

A museum official said the museum's alarm system went off twice during Sunday night. Security guards, however, did not have the keys to look inside the building, and found nothing abnormal outside.

The museum was closed on Monday because of the Bastille Day holiday and the theft was discovered that evening.

The paintings were part of an exhibition marking the 90th birthday of André Breton, a founder of the surrealist movement.

They included four works by Dali, one by Magritte, one by Max Ernst, two by Miro and a Picasso.

The burglars left behind works by Gauguin, Matisse, Masson and Chirico.

Japan ready to take lead in world affairs

From a Correspondent, Tokyo

Japan as won the money and the means to take a lead in world affairs — and must now get off its knees and do so, the normal apologetic Japanese people have been told in the annual keynote report from the Foreign Ministry.

"Japan should bear in mind that now has far more international influence, especially the economic field, than the Japanese give it credit for," the ministry said.

The report signalled that a nation which has got on with

growth to domestic demand in order to head off trade protectionism abroad.

It also repeated official platitudes urging Japan to open further to a world community and for its people to be more broad-minded and tolerant.

But the report was more notable for picking up the political gambit which the Prime Minister, Mr. Yasuhiro Nakasone, has thrown at the feet of his Western allies. He has said that if Japan is to take more responsibility for its own economy, then it must also be allowed the influence it deserves in the international councils of the mighty.

"Japan now has an important international responsibility to contribute actively to the preservation of world peace and prosperity," the ministry said.

It was careful to reaffirm that the future was founded upon continued good relations with Washington.

Two crucial points are still unclear: the first is how far Japan is prepared to go in adopting its new role.

If Mr. Nakasone, noted as the most hawkish Japanese leader since the Second World War, wins the third term in power which he seems to want, this may be answered.

The second is the question of how much the rest of the world really wants a more politically active Japan.



Mr. Nakasone: Japan must be pushed to influence.

exports and making money under the freedom of the American nuclear defence umbrella for the last 40 years is ready to come out of its shell.

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Aquino rejects kidnap demand as negotiations start for nuns

From Keith Dalton, Manila

Muslim rebels who kidnapped 10 Roman Catholic nuns and an American Protestant missionary in the troubled southern Philippines, demanded a ransom of \$100,000 (£67,500) for their release yesterday.

But President Aquino has said the Government will not be blackmailed.

The nuns, all members of the contemplative Carmelite

Marawi — The kidnappers threatened to kill the nuns if the army launched an offensive. Mr. Saidamen Pangarungan, the acting governor of Marawi, said (Reuters reports). The military said the kidnappers had been surrounded but no action had been taken because of fear for the nuns' safety.

Order, are safe and detained in the isolated town of Yanagi. Mr. Juan Ponce Enrile, the Defence Minister, said.

Local government, police and military officials supported by Muslims and Roman Catholic intermediaries, are negotiating for their release.

In a progress report to President Aquino, Mr. Enrile said that besides the ransom,

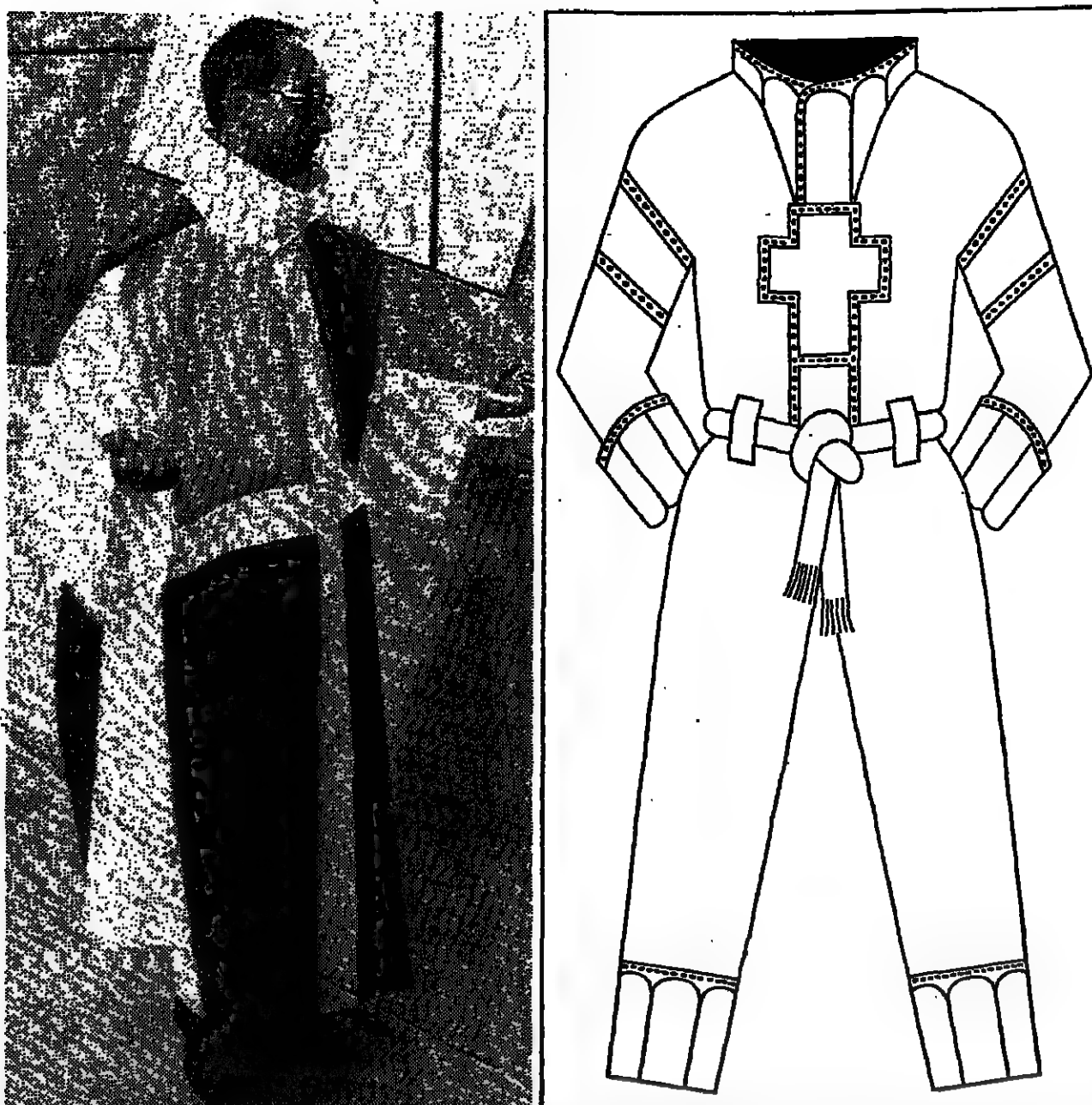
the kidnappers were demanding the inclusion of local autonomy in the new constitution being drawn up and full implementation of the 10-year-old peace treaty which, up till now, has failed to halt the secessionist war.

"The Government will not be blackmailed nor will it adopt the policy of appeasement towards the abductors," Mrs. Aquino said shortly after receiving Mr. Enrile's report. The Government's official policy is not to pay ransom demands.

Mr. Enrile said he had no information on the whereabouts of the Rev. Brian Lawrence, aged 30, the American missionary who was abducted on Saturday night from his apartment in the Muslim city of Marawi, 500 miles south of Manila.

His wife escaped unhurt by hiding in a wardrobe when armed men burst into their apartment.

The kidnapping of Mr. Lawrence came 24 hours after the nuns were taken at gunpoint from their convent on the outskirts of Marawi and driven off in two motor boats across nearby Lake Lanao under cover of darkness.



The bold creation for the clergy by Castelbajac, left, and a "boiler-suit" design by Courrèges at the Epon Abbey exhibition.

Haute couture for French priests gets dressing down

From Diana Geddes, Paris

After the meter maids, surgeons, air hostesses and policemen, it is the turn of the French clergy to be dressed by the top haute-couture designers — and in a revolutionary way which has left many of the more conservative faithful aghast.

Space-age forms and brilliant colours are among the radical new features for ecclesiastical garb proposed by André Courrèges and Jean-Charles Castelbajac, who were asked by the National Committee for Sacred Art to put forward their ideas for the clergy of the future.

Each submitted four designs which are on display in an exhibition entitled Art and the Sacred Today, organized by the committee in the beautiful 13th century Cistercian monastery of Epan on the outskirts of Le Mans.

The model which has provoked the greatest controversy is a cosmonaut-style boiler-suit by Courrèges, marked with a bold white cross in front, over which may be worn a knee-length, broad-shouldered chasuble, marked with an even bigger white cross, leaving the trouser-legs of the boiler-suit clearly showing.

Castelbajac has decided to keep more or less to the traditional form for liturgical vestments, but has shocked many with his choice of colours. In one design, bold blocks of yellow, blue, green and red, symbolizing light, the Virgin Mary, hope and love, are printed in a cruciform pattern on a transparent silk organza chasuble, through which the colours are reflected on to the pure-white alb underneath.

Castelbajac deplored the fact that priests no longer stood out in a crowd. "Whether dressed in civilian clothes or in their ecclesiastical vestments, you don't see them any more," he said.

"It is as if soldiers didn't wear a uniform. Priests should wear distinctive clothes."

"I believe the officiating priest should symbolize light. He should be like a beacon lighting the way. But one must

avoid the trap of making him too decorative."

By no means all the priests who visited the exhibition at its opening on July 4 thought he had succeeded. "It's fine for a march-past on July 14 (French national day), but not for celebrating Mass," one protested.

But it was inevitably Courrèges who provoked the most hostile reactions. "His designs in no way fit in with the liturgical tradition; there is nothing sacred about them," one horrified Benedictine exclaimed, while another priest considered them suitable only for a trip to the Moon.

Mlle Renée Moineau, secretary-general of the National Committee for Sacred Art, hastens to allay their fears. "The models are not intended for use today, or even tomorrow," she said. "But we hope they will stimulate reflection."

She said Courrèges and Castelbajac had been chosen not because they were avant-garde Catholics, but rather for their broader spiritual qualities.

The same was true of the other 14 contemporary artists, including two Britons — Tony Cragg and Ian Hamilton Finlay — who had been asked to submit works for the exhibition.

Some are not even believers, let alone Christians. François Morellet, for example, whose striking painting of a black cross against a white background on a fitted canvas is hung behind the massive stone altar of the abbey, says he should certainly not be catalogued among the holy.

"I'm preparing an erotic exhibition entitled The Geometry of Spasms," he said with a laugh.

Also included in the exhibition are 53 coloured religious lithographs and a stained-glass window by Chagall, and a retrospective look at religious architecture in Europe since 1925.

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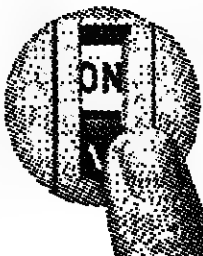
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Indians to fast for payments

From Charles Harrison
Nairobi

Eight Indian sugar technicians, accompanied by two wives and two children, plan to start a sit-in hunger strike at the Indian High Commission offices in Kampala today over payment of salaries and allowances which they say are more than 18 months overdue.

They were recruited from India to work on the Ugandan sugar estates originally founded by the millionaire Madhavan family. The estates are now jointly owned by the Madhavanis (who were among the Asians expelled from Uganda in 1972) and the Uganda Government.

Major Krishna Swami, one of the technicians, said they were assured by the Uganda Government early last year that the payments would be settled. "Some of those who staged a hunger strike early last year have been paid — but 11 of us have not."

The group has appealed to the Indian Government, which is understood to have made representations to Uganda. But there have been two changes of government since the original promise to pay the technicians was made early last year.

Zhao has praise for Spain

From Harry Delius
Madrid

Mr Zhao Ziyang, the Chinese Prime Minister, congratulated Spain on its efforts "to promote disarmament on the part of the United States and Soviet Union" at dinner in his honour in Madrid.

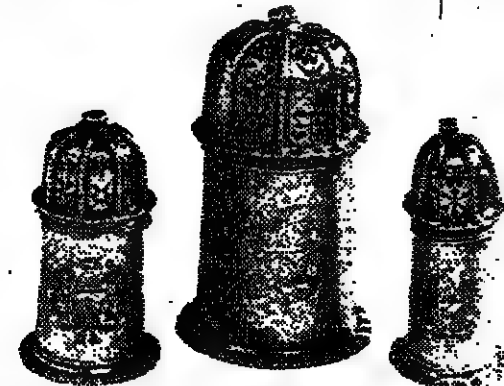
Señor Felipe González, the Spanish Prime Minister, said Spain and China shared similar views on East-West dialogue, Central Africa, the Middle East and South Africa. The dinner on Monday ended the first day of Mr Zhao's four-day visit.

Yesterday he was the guest of King Juan Carlos and Queen Sophia at a luncheon also attended by Señor González, Señor Franco Fernández Ordóñez, the Foreign Minister, and members of Mr Zhao's party.

Officials of the two countries are holding talks. The Chinese hope to increase export to Spain, which totalled only about £30 million last year, compared with Spanish exports to China of about £360 million. Madrid hopes to pick up new industrial contracts for joint ventures in China, pending make up for two projects agreed but later cancelled in Peking.

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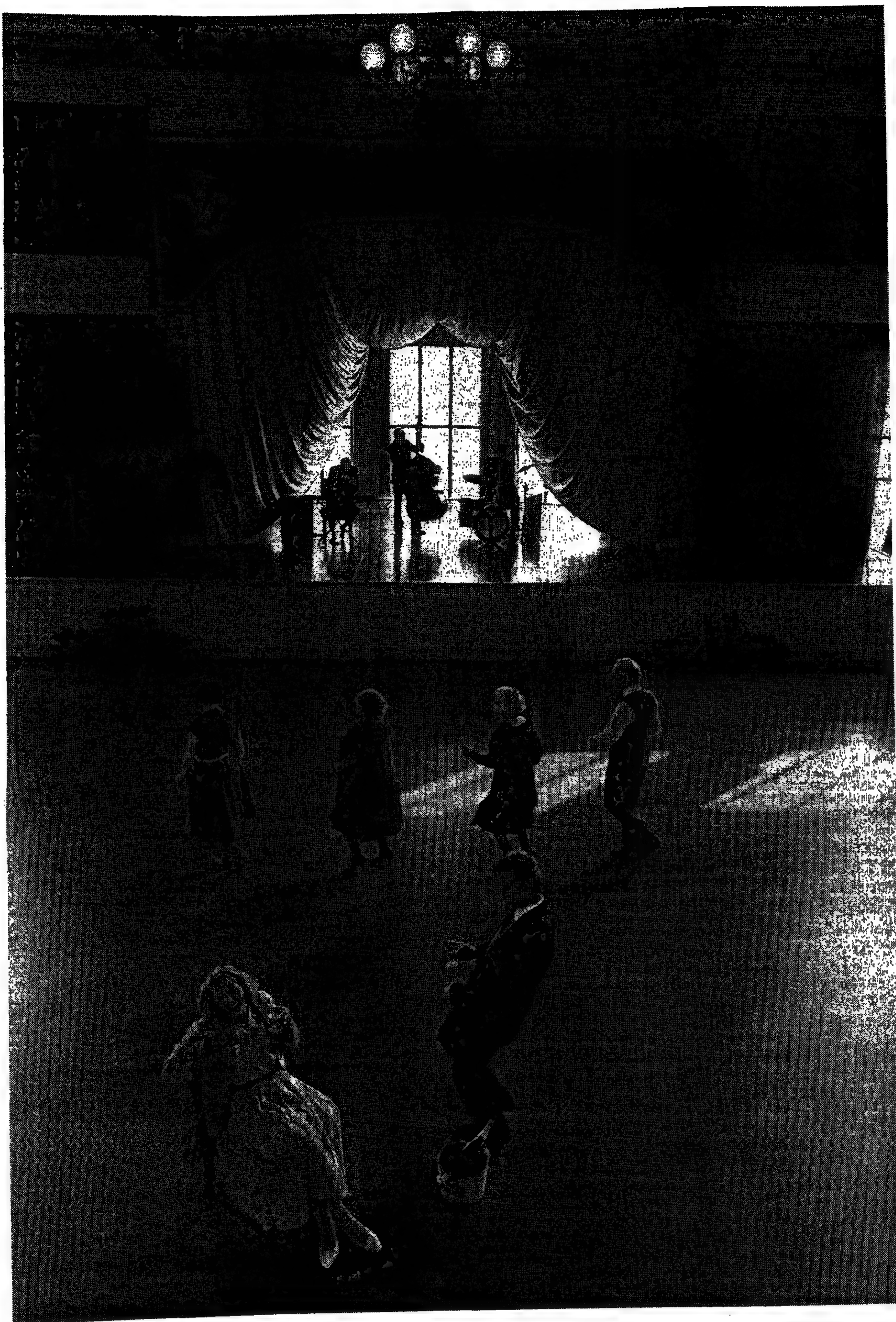
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SPECTRUM

The worst outrage of the Spanish Civil War, which began 50 years ago this week, was the razing of a peaceful town, described in the celebrated report reprinted below

Death in the Basque afternoon

The most famous single incident of the Spanish Civil War was the bombing of the Basque town of Guernica by German Heinkel and Junkers aircraft. It was market day and the town centre was crowded. Within hours the town had been reduced to a burning ruin and, although no official casualty figures were issued, the death toll could have been as high as 2,000, approaching one third of Guernica's population.

This destruction of a defenceless civilian target caused international outrage, and inspired a famous painting by Picasso. To the left, the incident was the epitome of fascist barbarism.

In the Spanish Civil War, the Basques had supported the Republican side, and as the Nationalists moved north early in 1937, the independent Basque state, proclaimed only months before, became a prime target. General Mola, leader of the Nationalist army, threatened that unless there was immediate submission, towns would be razed.

On the afternoon of April 26, George Lowther Steer, who was covering the war for *The Times* from the Republican side, was on his way to Guernica by car with a colleague from Reuters news agency. As they reached the village of Ambacogui, Heinkel planes appeared and bombed the village. The two men spent 15 minutes in the bottom of a bomb crater while the Heinkels tried to spray them with machine-gun fire.

The men returned to Bilbao and were having dinner when reports came through that Guernica was burning. Steer and three other correspondents set off, and as Steer recalled later: "Fifteen miles south of Guernica, the sky began to impress us. It was not the flat dead sky of night; it seemed to move and carry trembling veins of blood."

Steer reached Guernica in the early hours of Tuesday, April 27 and sent back a vivid, passionate dispatch which ranks with the finest journalism to come out of the war. His anger was clear. "Guernica was not a military objective... the object of the bombardment was seemingly the demoralization of the civil population and the destruction of the cradle of the Basque race."

Steer was on his second foreign assignment for *The Times*, having previously covered Mussolini's invasion of Abyssinia. At the time of the Guernica episode he was 37. He was born in South Africa, the son of a newspaper proprietor, and educated at Winchester and Oxford, where he took a double first. After journalism in South Africa and in the London office of *The Yorkshire Post*, he joined *The Times* in 1935. His first months in Abyssinia revealed his inexperience. He was rebuffed from London for filling expensive cables with trivia and in October 1935 he received this rebuke from the foreign news editor, Ralph Deakin: "Rumour is not wanted. Nor are the predictions of what may or may not happen. *The Times* has always been strict with itself on this point. There has definitely been too much speculation in some of your dispatches."



This photograph of ravaged Guernica was sent to *The Times* by George Steer after he returned to Bilbao. He enclosed a note which said: "The first lot (of pictures) available weren't much good as the photographer was looking most of the time for his family in the fire"

Steer survived this castigation and stayed in Abyssinia until he was expelled by the Italian military authorities in May, 1936. In Abbas Abbade, while fighting went on in the streets outside, he had married a French journalist. Early in 1937 Mrs Marguerite Steer died in childbirth. By that time Steer was covering the war in Spain.

His dispatch from Guernica caused *The Times* misgivings. The paper's attitude to the war was one of neutrality and it supported the British Government's policy of non-intervention. At the same time it was strongly backing the appeasement of Germany.

Steer's report, clearly identifying German aeroplanes as the perpetrators of the Guernica outrage, provoked a storm of abuse in Germany, including such newspaper headlines as "How *The Times* lied". There were also official German complaints about the paper's reporting of the war.

Geoffrey Dawson, the editor of *The Times*, privately admitted his dilemma. "I did my best, night after night, to keep out of the paper anything that might hurt (German) susceptibilities. No doubt they were annoyed by Steer's story on the bombing of Guernica but its essential accuracy has never been denied and there has not been any attempt here to rub it in or harp on it."

Its accuracy was, however, disputed by the Franco side, which alleged that the Basques themselves had been responsible for setting fire to Guernica with their own incendiaries. A few days after the bombing, journalists covering the war from the Nationalist side were taken through the town. Among them was James Holburn of *The Times*.

In a report sent from Vitoria on May 4, headed "The Ruins of Guernica: A Rival View", he tried to assess the conflicting versions. Importantly, and despite the vigilant eye of the censor, Holburn did include in his story the unequivocal statement that the Nationalists had bombed Guernica "over a period of three hours", something the Franco side had tried to deny.

Soon afterwards Steer left *The Times*, though he denied that this was because of disagreements with the paper. He was in Africa for *The Daily Telegraph* in 1938 and 1939 and during the Second World War he served in the Intelligence Corps. On Christmas Day 1944 he was killed in a car accident while on active service in the Far East.

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He summed up: "It is difficult to believe that Guernica was the target of a bombardment of exceptional intensity or was selected by the Nationalists for an experiment with incendiary bombs, as is alleged by the Basques."

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Taking the long view of a 'dirty business'

James Holburn was assistant correspondent for *The Times* in Berlin when his stay was interrupted by "a singularly unpleasant assignment" — the Spanish Civil War. He was sent to Salamanca, at the time the headquarters town of General Franco, to cover the Nationalist side.

Now aged 85 and living near Perth in Scotland, his memories of the war remain strong. He had never been to Spain and spoke no Spanish, "although we learnt essentials pretty quickly". Immediately he arrived, Captain Bolin, the officer responsible for the press, berated him for the attitude taken by the British Government towards the war.

It was Holburn's first experience of war, and his uneasy

relationship with Spanish authority remained throughout the months he was in Spain. He found the people subdued, fearful and unwilling to talk. "An awful lot of killing had taken place by both sides even before the war broke out, although I never once saw any first-hand evidence of executions, only the effect they had on people."

In Berlin, Holburn had not heard any suggestion that Germany was involved in the Spanish war, although the Heinkels and Junkers were real enough when he arrived there.

Working as a journalist side definitely made duller reading compared with the Republicans, and one or two correspondents actually "changed sides" for that reason.

"I did not get any thrills out of it at all," Holburn says. "The war was such a dirty business, and I am not surprised that the Spanish people put up with Franco for 20 years or more rather than go through the same thing again."

At Guernica, he wrote his most famous and controversial dispatch on the war using exactly this technique. On the outskirts of the former Basque stronghold, Holburn saw the pockmarks of bomb craters, and the few people he was able to talk to pointed to the sky and cried "Aviones, aviones!" Then came an admission from a "highly-placed source" that there had been an air strike supporting the Nationalist onslaught.

Holburn was able to report to London that Guernica had been

bombed intermittently for three hours. He also included a Franco version of events in the story. "I don't think I did that despatch very well, but it has since been misquoted and I certainly did not take any responsibility for the Nationalist view."

The dispatch passed the censor and appeared in *The Times* on May 5, 1937. It caused a furore in the Franco camp because it confirmed from behind the Nationalist lines the story which Steer had sent from the Republican side.

"From that moment every day everyone, particularly Captain Bolin, was very angry and abusive towards me," Holburn said. Three weeks later he was recalled to Berlin, much to his relief, and replaced by Kim Philby.

Ronald Faux

THE TRAGEDY OF GUERNICA

TOWN DESTROYED IN AIR ATTACK

EYE WITNESS'S ACCOUNT

From Our Special Correspondent BILBAO, April 27

Guernica, the most ancient town of the Basques and the centre of their cultural tradition, was completely destroyed yesterday afternoon by insurgent air raiders. The bombardment of this open town far behind the lines occupied precisely three hours and a quarter... during which a powerful fleet of aeroplanes consisting of three German types, Junkers and Heinkel bombers and Heinkel fighters, did not cease unloading on the town bombs weighing from 1,000 lb downwards and, it is calculated, more than 3,000 two-pounder aluminium incendiary projectiles. The fighters, meanwhile, plunged low from above the centre of the town to machine-gun those of the civilian population who had taken refuge in the fields...

In the dugouts... The people are said to have shown a good spirit...

Five minutes later a single German bomber appeared, circled over the town at a low altitude, and then dropped six heavy bombs, apparently aiming for the station. The bombs with a shower of grenades fell on a former institute and on houses and streets surrounding it. The aeroplanes then went away. Another five minutes came, a second bomber, which threw the same number of bombs into the middle of the town. About a quarter of an hour later three Junkers arrived to continue the work of demolition, and thenceforward the bombing grew in intensity and was continuous, ceasing only with the approach of dusk at 7.45.

HEROIC CLERGY

The whole town of 7,000 inhabitants, plus 3,000 refugees, was slowly and systematically pounded to pieces. Over a radius of five miles round a detail of the raiders' technique was to bomb separate caserios, or farmhouses. In the night these burned like little candles in the hills. All the villages around were bombed... and at Mugica, a little group of houses at the head of the Guernica inlet, the population was machine-gunned for 15 minutes...

In the hospital of Josefinas, which was one of the first places bombed, all the 42 wounded militiamen sheltered were killed outright. In a street leading downhill from the Casa de Juntas I saw a place where 50 people, nearly all women and children, are said to have been trapped in an air raid refuge under a mass of burning wreckage... an elderly priest named Aronategui was killed by a bomb while rescuing children from a burning house.

CHURCH BELL ALARM

In the form of its execution and the scale of the destruction it wrought, no less than in the selection of its objective, the raid... is unparalleled in military history. Guernica was not a military objective. A factory producing war material lay outside the town and was untouched. So were two barracks some distance from the town... The object of the bombardment was seemingly the demoralization of the civil population and the destruction of the cradle of the Basque race. Every fact bears out this appreciation, beginning with the day when the deed was done.

Monday was the customary market day in Guernica for the country round. At 4.30pm, when the market was full and peasants were still coming in, the church bell rang the alarm for approaching aeroplanes, and the population sought refuge in cellars and

The only counter-measures the Basques could employ... were those provided by the heroism of the Basque clergy. These blessed and prayed for the kneeling crowds — Socialists, Anarchists and Communists, as well as the declared faithful — in the crumbling dugouts.

When I entered Guernica after midnight houses were crashing on either side, and it was utterly impossible even for firemen to enter the centre of the town. The hospitals... were glowing heaps of embers, all the churches except that of Santa Maria were destroyed and the few houses which still stood were doomed...

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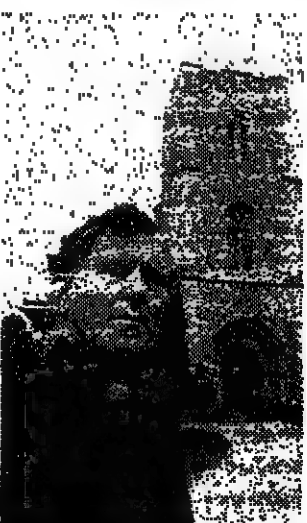
Lords of the manor are likely to lose their right to choose parsons today. Is this a blow or a blessing?

One of the last remnants of feudal England moves a step closer to extinction this afternoon when the House of Lords is expected to approve a move ending the right of a lord of the manor to choose his local parson.

The gift of private, rather than ecclesiastical, institutional or royal patronage still operates in about 28 per cent of parishes in the Church of England, as a right of property, usually in rural areas. So obsolete are the existing laws, however, that anyone buying such a property, be he atheist, Methodist or Hindu, may find himself having to select his neighbour's spiritual guide on moving in. Only Jews and Roman Catholics, reflecting ancient religious divides, are officially barred from performing the task. Famous unlikely patrons in the past include the board of Smith's Potato Crisps and the Moonies.

To the Victorians, the acquisition of "advowsons" — or the right to present a benefice — was stuff fit for novels. Today, intentional intrigue is rare. More often problems arise from absenteeism, neglect or the death of a parson. With no one to take responsibility, appointments remain vacant for too long, congregations crumble and churches close.

The new measure will iron out many of the system's anomalies, while retaining much of its original character. A patron in future must register his patronage; all appointments will be made in



Lord's man: the Rev Tony Jardine at Burghclere

close consultation with the bishop and the parson's personal price. All patrons, too, must be communicant members of the Church of England or nominate somebody who is to carry out his duties.

When the General Synod, the Church's governing body, first raised the matter eight years ago, many members called for the total abolition of private patronage. In the course of debate, attitudes have softened, however, and numerous examples of the good modern patron have come to light.

One such is the parish of Burghclere with Newdown and Echinswell and Sydmonton, nestled in 40 square miles of Hampshire downland. This ancient royal hunting ground, now honoured more for being the site of Watership Down, has belonged to the Earls of Carnarvon for generations. Their family seat, Highclere Castle, borders the parish boundary. The present Earl, now in his

eighties, is remembered throughout the parish's scattered hamlets for his lusty readings of the Christmas lesson and his keen interest in local affairs. Recently, the patron's duties have fallen to his son and heir, Lord Porchester, the Queen's racing manager.

"As a family, we've always taken the privilege seriously," he says. "Periodically the Church invites us to relinquish it but we've refused. I do believe it's important for the parson to have a local ear to turn to. It would be sad if the tradition ended."

For Burghclere's rector, the Rev Tony Jardine, private patronage could scarcely have served him better. A 47-year-old West Countryman who came to the area in 1978, he is unlikely to have secured the rural living he wanted without Lord Carnarvon's active support.

"This is an area of increasingly elderly parishioners. Usually, a much older man would have been given the job," he says. "But I'm a countryman, ill-suited to urban living. I understand the pace of life here yet I'm young enough to keep the church alive and do new things."

Not only the incumbent has benefited. Old Burghclere, a picturesque 12th-century church housing the Carnarvon family mausoleum, now operates outside the parochial system, for occasional ecumenical services. The Victorian Burghclere parish church, meanwhile, had reached such a state of dilapidation that collapse or closure looked inevitable.

"So the churchwarden and I went to see Lord Porchester, immediately on receipt of our quinquennial survey," recalls Mr Jardine, in tones worthy of Trollope. "He agreed with us that closure of the church in a

tight-knit community would be a severe blow. He's helped us organize an appeal, now under way, and takes a vigorous role as its president."

When the Bishop of Gloucester presents the Patronage (Benefices) Measure to the Lords today, he expects Land and Church to spar elegantly and briefly before agreeing to the changes.

Old fashioned though private patronage may appear, most within the system think it works. Both patrons and parsons, however, insist that full consultation with bishop and laity is essential.

A few hereditary peers, watching their ancient rights disappear before their eyes, may complain that the bishops will now acquire yet more dominion. The bishops, in turn, will point out that what

it actually means for them is more hard work. A few may worry — as did Enoch Powell in the Commons last month — that the new instruction for all patrons to be active Anglicans, will further diminish the rights of the established Church of England and reduce it to little more than a sect. Most will welcome, however, the greater clarity provided by the measure.

The Bishop of Gloucester's view is that, even in the Church, private patrons are a dying breed, soon to disappear forever. "This is just the first step in the process," he says. "No longer will a patron be able to announce his new parson to the bishop over the port. That surely can't be a bad thing."

Fiona Maddocks

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WEDNESDAY PAGE

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Consultants, managers, lawyers — Tories to a woman — were in London yesterday for a High Flyers conference. Alison Miller caught the mood

Pearl talk and the party line

Just before I am in the Park Lane Hotel, a policewoman waves ultra-violet at my pass, a neatly pressed security man from Conservative Central Office vacuums me with a metal detector and another sniffs me with an expensive-looking thing that isn't a dog and doesn't appear to register Chanel.

This is the morning of *High Flyers* 2, the second gathering of Tory female success stories. Ten managing directors, 15 solicitors, 21 company directors, 10 teachers, 16 technology consultants, four barristers and 13 "managerial" (unspecified) are expected.

Downstairs in the ballroom, Tania Greenfield, aged 20, who works as a secretary in the commercial department of a Bournemouth estate agency, has managed to get in without being checked at all. Ah, well.

"Nuclear disarmament gets me going," she says. "This country is a lot safer with them."

Across the room sits Elizabeth Plant, aged 28, a barrister, wearing a pin-stripe suit and a floppy silk bow tie over gold chains. She is self-possessed. I ask her if she ever has doubts. "Doubts? What about?" she says.

This is the first time she has been to a gathering of Tory women and, like a number of those present, she has political ambitions. They are not yet as clearly defined as those of pretty 21-year-old Sarah Quinlan, a student at Manchester University.

"I think it's a total anathema that politicians are part-time," she says. "They turn up in the morning when they feel like it and then go off to do their law. Running the country is the most important business there can be. Not all of them are woolly — but unfortunately a lot of the ones that are are Conservative."

She has applied to become a candidate. "My family are apolitical. They wanted me to be a solicitor and they're not that keen about a career in politics."

And Mrs Thatcher? "I think she's wonderful. She's a qualified barrister, she's got a chemistry degree. She's made it in every sphere, really, hasn't she? Just by her example she's shown us we can do it — and that, I should imagine, is why a lot of women are here."

Emma Nicholson, vice-chairman of the Conservative Party, wearing blue silk couture with Dallas shoulder pads, a single wing of pearls, and pearl studs in her ears, is the candidate for Devon West and Torridge, which she will take over from Sir Peter Mills, who is retiring. Her hair — thick, dark, decidedly defined — frames unblinking eyes of doll-like clarity. She is 44 and single.

"I think it's become much easier for women to retain their femininity and yet be successful," she asserts. "If one thinks back to, say, the

1920s, which is the very first time women were allowed to become doctors, they more or less faded into the background as women (not as professionals) because in order to be decently obscure they rather aped men in their dress and their habits. Today a lot of that has changed.

"Of course, in certain professions you must dress appropriately. When people go to see a doctor, they don't feel all that happy if she is dressed up as a hippy or has punk hair. If they were going to see a woman minister — which at the moment would only be a Methodist minister in Britain, alas — they would expect to see someone soberly dressed, but I suggest that is more related to the profession than the extinction of their femininity."

"It's tough for women at home with children," she concedes. "In today's world — I'm seeing it from the outside, because I have no children and I'm not at home — it seems a very confining role."

Real freedom for women, she believes, is economic freedom. "Reform of personal taxation should put the married woman on an equal footing with everyone in Britain."

By now the ballroom is filling up with women — none wearing hats, a lot wearing pearls, some conventional graded three-tier jobs, others modern mixtures. Jennifer Rawlings is aged 32 and the managing director of a publishing company. She walks with difficulty, using crutches. She had polio as a child. "The number of times I have been overlooked as an employee because people think 'Oh, she's got to have this, she's got to have that.' From the knee down it's knackered, but for my working life it doesn't matter at all."

There is some tick-tack from the back of the room to Nicholson, indicating the arrival of the chairman of the Conservative Party. A large man in a shiny grey suit, with a red label, positions himself by the only open exit.

In this non-sexist, non-discriminatory world, I have been taking advantage of the traditional woman's right to be a little late this morning," Norman Tebbit tells his audience. "Do forgive me."

He keeps up the banter. "I thought actually I disagreed with you on one point about the number of married women who work these days. It was my understanding as a husband that all married women had always worked in any case."

"All of you here today share the distinction of achievement in your different fields," he says, warming to the theme. "Flying high is not just good for you personally, it's good for the country as well. Without ambition, hard work, enterprise and innovation, we would not be able to continue our task of putting the Great back into Great Britain."

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Josephine Rudd (right), who trained as a solicitor after bringing up her family, now has her own practice in Slough, where she specializes in matrimonial law. Josephine is talking to Emma Nicholson, vice-chairman of the Conservative Party, and Norman Lamont, Financial Secretary to the Treasury. Mr Lamont is explaining how the Government's Green Paper on the reform of personal taxation will work out in practice



Selling point: Maureen Fitzgerald is the European sales manager for an American computer company. She is the only woman European manager in a company with an £11.5 million annual turnover. Her road to success began when she was at Bowater-Scott, the paper group



Stocks and trade: Noel Ranschewy (left) is an international stockbroker. Having trained as an art historian, she quickly returned to the City when she realized how much better it paid. She is talking to Lesley Bell, marketing director of Wordplex word processing systems



Lobby lady: Evie Soames, of Charles Barker, Watney and Powell, political consultants. She has been with the firm for 15 years, has recently been appointed joint managing director, and is one of a new breed of women in high-powered parliamentary lobbying positions



Message merchants: Adele Biss (right), co-founder of Biss Lancaster, a public relations firm, talking to Anne Strutt, a parliamentary consultant with G.J.W. Government Relations. Adele started her business eight years ago; Anne has been with G.J.W. for two years

Not fair to these patients

TALKBACK

From Dr P.G. McGrath, Heathermount Drive, Crowthorne, Berkshire

It is a pity that Marjorie Wallace should write an illustrative piece on John Hinckley, the would-be assassin of President Reagan (Spectrum, July 1). This cannot but strengthen the association in the public mind between schizophrenia and extremely violent crime, to the detriment of the many, many, thousands of schizophrenics who are cared for in the community or who are still in hospital by default of community care.

Such association is anecdotal only and based on notorious, historical cases such as Hadfield, Bellingham, and McNaughten. There is no statistically significant, much less causal, relationship between the disease schizophrenia and homicide. Perhaps the most authoritative basic text in psychiatry, *Clinical Psychiatry* by Eliot Slater and Martin Roth (Baillière, Tindall, London 1972), says categorically: "The actual number of crimes committed by established schizophrenics is relatively small" and Dr Henry Rollin, in *The Mentally Abnormal Offender and the Law* (Pergamon Press 1969), associates schizophrenic status with minor acquisitive and social offences.

Certainly, there are a few hundred schizophrenics in the special hospitals at Broadmoor, Rampton and Park Lane but there are half a million others who need understanding and support.

From Mrs Anne R. Bradford, Lyonsdown Avenue, New Barnet, Hertfordshire

It is not always lack of finance which leads to a shortage of textbooks in schools (Monday Page, July 7) but the infuriating fact that educational publishers cease to issue long-established textbooks in favour of something newer, leaving schools with the option of sharing copies between students, illegally photocopying texts or finding large amounts of money to replace entire stocks when only a few copies are really needed.

From H.E. Bell, Office of the Registrar, Reading University

Gail Penney (First Person, July 11) is muddled. Exeter University is not removing degree classifications but simply not referring to them at the degree ceremony. So there is no question of abandoning academic standards. Reading University has followed the more human practice for very many years. Anyone who wishes can consult the lists. But why risk spoiling the day for parents, friends and students, whose sacrifice, support and effort may need to be measured by some quite different scale?

Surgeons caught in the jobs queue

Yon might think, as I once did, that only a madman or a fool would find himself, in a position where, after 12 years of training and working 110 hours a week with poor financial rewards, he was still uncertain of getting a secure post in his chosen profession. Yet my husband and many other junior surgeons are in just that situation.

If the present Government had responded more quickly to the increase in the number of junior doctors waiting for senior registrars' posts, and consultants' posts, my husband would have been spared the difficulties of the past few years.

Seven years ago he took the final part of his fellowship exams to the Royal College of Surgeons. At the time we knew that his further surgical training would require two years as a junior registrar — a long apprenticeship, perhaps, but definitely worthwhile in terms of the academic interest it provided and the contribution he could make to the health service.

The first hurdle was not difficult to overcome. Of course the hours were long and the financial rewards poor, but neither of us expected it to be easy. What we failed to take into account was the increase in the number of junior doctors now turning to general surgery as their chosen speciality. Because of this, a subtle change was taking place in their training.

It has been the practice for some time for senior registrars to undertake a research project and produce a thesis, usually devoting one year to this exercise. However, in order to solve the problem of the growing numbers of junior

COMMENT

New proposals for a sub-consultant hospital grade will do nothing to mollify angry young doctors

doctors waiting for promotion to senior registrar, many of them were first taken on as research fellows at the teaching hospitals — despite the scarcity of funds for such projects and the uncertain prospects after this. My husband was expected to do likewise.

During this time they took a drop in salary, which meant that many of them had to take on locum work in their spare time. My husband was expected to do likewise.

During this time the cuts in the number of senior registrar posts were implemented. Those who had finished their research were therefore expected to do locum jobs or find posts at a grade for which they were now overtrained.

My husband joined this pool more than a year ago. He is lucky; he has, at the moment, a permanent job. Saturday mornings bring a moment of morning's bring a moment of morning's hope as he scans the appointments column in the *British Medical Journal*, but rarely

No, No. THE PATIENTS' WAITING ROOM IS FURTHER DOWN THE CORRIDOR...



these days does his search bring any joy. It would appear that the health service waiting lists contain not only patients needing treatment — throughout the country there are also surgeons waiting to treat them.

Last month brought what looked at first to be a promising response from the Government in the form of an undertaking to ease the pressure by creating a sub-consultant grade. The new sub-consultants are supposed to take care of the more routine cases like hernias and appendicities, leaving consultants free to deal with emergencies and more complicated work.

But it is doubtful that this

proposal will reduce the growing numbers of newly qualified doctors who now appear to choose general practice in preference to hospital medicine. In any case, the medical profession has always raised strong objections to the suggestion in the past. And it seems a pality offering to those who, like my husband, have undergone intensive training and a long period of uncertainty; neither the pay nor the conditions of the new grade would equal those in general practice.

It seems likely that the politicians, mindful of the next election, will turn their attention to the longest waiting lists

— most of which have until recently been in orthopaedics, an area of low priority in terms of emergency work. The growing numbers of patients waiting for general surgical beds will almost certainly receive scant attention, and again both general surgeons and patients will suffer. My special plea is for those in pain and for those struggling, hope against hope, to survive in their chosen profession.

Even after the years of waiting and the long hours of separation, I am convinced that a post will be found for my husband. The work is rewarding, both in human and professional terms, and despite the disruptions in our personal lives we would not have it any other way.

But as I sit here on yet another night of his on-duty rota I am sure that the Government could find a more acceptable solution to the problem, and make a concrete and sincere gesture to show my husband and hundreds of other junior surgeons that their efforts and their devotion to duty have been appreciated by their employers and, ultimately, the general public whom they are trying to help.

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Now a puffer pulls out

Yet another withdrawal from Edinburgh — a steam locomotive this time. British Rail has cancelled an excursion from the city to Dunfermline, because the coaches were to have been drawn by an engine called Union of South Africa. This means the elimination of yet another swift runner, for the engine is a Gresley A4 Pacific, and hence in the same class as the record-breaking Mallard, the Sebastian Coe of the steam railway. The withdrawn loco, which belongs to the Lochy private railway in Fife, was due to make the trip on July 30, much of it along lines not usually used by passenger services. Most of the customers are not yet aware of the cancellation, and with only two weeks to go, there is not enough time to get another puffer fit for the occasion. ScotRail tells me that in view of the sensitivity of the situation it does not want to cause any "unnecessary offence".

Wages of Llin

Tory MP John Heddle claims he could not but overhear a snatch of dialogue between Glensy Kinnoch and two Labour workers on the train taking them to campaign in the Newcastle-under-Lyme by-election the other day. The canvassers were bemoaning the "smear" tactics used by local Liberals against Labour candidate Llin Goleing. They have pointed out that, if she wins, she and her husband John — the new leader of the National Communications Workers Union — will be earning almost £50,000 a year. Heddle swears that Glensy opined: "People's private incomes are their own affair". Not bad, he feels, for someone whose party is considering supertaxing those earning more than £20,000.

On the ferry home from the Bastille Day celebrations in Boulogne on Monday, I wandered by mistake into the galley. On the door was this notice to staff: "Beware of passengers."

Body count

When the final cost of launching the Rover 800 is added up, more than a few embarrassing extras may have to be written off as "extraordinary expenditure". In February over-enthusiastic Rover Group executives were stopped for speeding during a secret test drive in Devon and then notched up a £250 speeding fine in Switzerland. When the wraps came off the car, 700 members of the foreign press corps were let loose on the roads of Northumberland and found difficult adapting to right-hand steering: a Belgian journalist, making an emergency stop, was hit by the Rover behind. In the accident count, the Italians scored highest: casualties included gate posts, road signs, and a stationary butcher's van.

Job lot

Liverpool Liberals are eagerly awaiting the result of this week's appeal against disqualification by 47 Labour councillors for "wilful misconduct". But they must have winced at the eloquence of Louis Blom-Cooper, counsel to the 47, who insisted there was a "perfectly legitimate reason" for the delay in setting a rate. He is chairman of the Liberals' home affairs panel.

BARRY FANTONI



'They keep coming off...'

Howzat?

My prediction that the Foreign Office would have a bruising time at the hands of the Commonwealth Secretariat on the cricket pitch of Blenheim last weekend showed lamentable lack of patriotism. In fact, the home teams triumphed, both in the Players' and the Gentlemen's matches. The Foreign Office Gentlemen's side turned out to possess a magic ingredient: Lady Howe, who batted a magnificent five overs not out, and her daughter, who put in a spirited performance as wicket-keeper. Sir Geoffrey was sitting on the sidelines all the while. Could this be a winning formula for other clashes with the Commonwealth?

Errata

Trivial Pursuit grows ever bolder, if less accurate. Yesterday, as the fourth British edition was launched aboard a paddle-steamer on the Thames, one of the two question compilers, Ray Loud, was publicly admonished by two Asian gentlemen for the question: "What did the Indian prime minister Shastri dutifully drink each morning?" (Answer: urine.) The man in question was in fact Morarji Desai. I also fancy Loud is doing his chances of establishment favour little good with this one: How many months pregnant was Nancy Reagan when she walked up the aisle with Ronnie? Answer: two and a half.

PHS

Could the Queen stay silent?

George Hill considers the royal role should the Commonwealth face disintegration

The deep disagreement between Commonwealth governments over South Africa exposes a hiatus in the well-knit constitutional cloak which protects the Queen from exposure to the harsh winds of political conflict. All her public acts as Queen of the United Kingdom are done "on advice", with a few exceptions of the kind that come up only three or four times in a lifetime. The prime minister puts her words into her mouth, and so if the words are unpopular, it is the prime minister who takes the blame.

Abroad, she takes care to speak within the ambit of government policy. If any of her words or actions have political overtones, the prime minister has customarily rallied round and declared that she spoke on advice, even though she didn't.

But she is in fact 17 queens in one person, and more besides. As far as the Commonwealth is concerned, she is a political entity at all, she embodies and expresses it. The story of the Royal Family's persistent drive towards this role over a period of 60 years — or arguably far more — is one of the most significant aspects of the history of the monarchy in the period.

But for 17 queens (and Head of the Commonwealth) not to speak in a gable of conflicting slogans demands extreme tact and forbearance from all concerned, and in the last resort demands that no

divisive question should ever come obsessively to dominate the Commonwealth's attention. After 34 years on the throne, the Queen necessarily has a more extensive acquaintance with the leaders of Commonwealth countries than any British politician, and great authority in the Commonwealth's informal councils — an authority which is also dependent on a body of common interest between members, or a readiness not to press divisive points to the extreme.

The need for royalty to provide a tangible focus for the Empire was acknowledged long before the Empire became a Commonwealth, with the future George V being sent on long world tours in Victoria's reign, on the same basis as traditional royal progresses around the country. The personal loyalty of remote tribesmen to the faraway Queen in London was a theme of imperial propaganda, and had some reality to it: a queen makes a stronger appeal as an icon than a parliament, let alone the hazy trinity of sovereign, legislature and executive.

By coincidence, the year of the Queen's birth, 1926, was also the year of the event which set the pattern for the future constitutional development of the Commonwealth. A great Inter-

Imperial Conference produced the Balfour Report, which gave formal expression to the idea of a Commonwealth of "autonomous communities within the Empire", with an aspiration of movement towards that as the prevailing pattern. It was expected that member countries would retain their allegiance towards the sovereign as head of state.

It was only after the Second World War that things began to move quickly. Peace, the advent of air travel and the momentum towards independence profoundly changed the character of the royal role. Mountbatten's velocity spell as Viceroy of India involved the Royal Family in the travails of decolonization in more than a merely ceremonial sense. The Queen was able to visit every major section of the Commonwealth, in every continent, within a matter of months of her accession; by now there is not a territory, however small, in which she has not set foot.

The whole process was accompanied by many conflicts, of course, and in many ways went quite differently to what the architects of the Balfour Report envisaged. Newly-independent India chose to remain in the Commonwealth while discarding formal allegiance to the Queen.

Coups, wars between members, and the expulsion of South Africa produced an association of nations which might seem to have nothing in common but diversity.

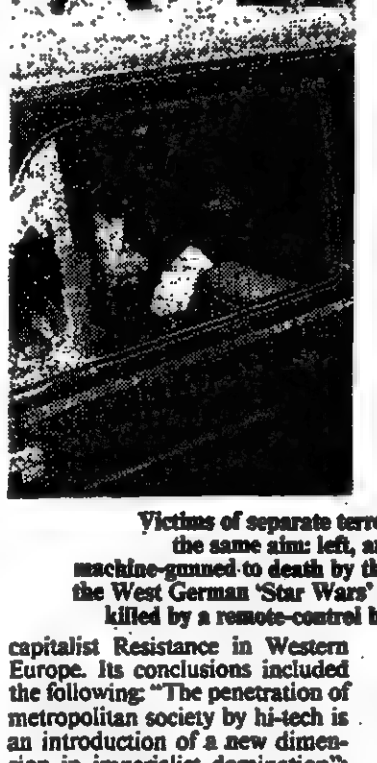
In some members, Queen Elizabeth is Queen, with a queenship quite autonomous and not legally derivative from her role as Queen of England. She does not speak on Mrs Thatcher's advice there, but on the advice of that country's prime minister. When she is not there, a governor-general represents her, appointed by the same prime minister.

She is often required to contradict herself when speaking wearing different crowns — or to say things that would be contradictory if looked at too closely. That is well understood, and no problem. It is what she says as head of the Commonwealth for which there are no real guidelines. There are no ministers to advise. The furor over her 1984 Christmas broadcast with Mrs Gandhi was an indication of the dangers that could arise.

But if a point came where there was serious danger of the Commonwealth breaking up, with Britain isolated on an issue like South Africa, the Queen would be under intense pressure not to be remain silent. She would certainly have opinions and sympathies, and it would be difficult to find a form of words which papered over the gaps between policies then.

Jillian Becker traces the lines on the face of the European terrorist movements

Radical chic now creaking at the joints



Victims of separate terrorist movements but with the same aim: left, an Italian police driver machine-gunned to death by the Red Brigades in 1980. Right, the West German 'Star Wars' executive Karl-Heinz Beckurts, killed by a remote-control bomb near Munich last week

capitalist Resistance in Western Europe. Its conclusions included the following: "The penetration of metropolitan society by hi-tech is an introduction of a new dimension in imperialist domination"; and, "The large electronic motor and computer corporations will get their claws into anything that is expansionist in hi-tech areas".

Among the companies on the conference's black list were General Motors, Chrysler, Ford, Fiat, Daimler, Nissan, Siemens and MBB (builder of the Tornado, along with British Aerospace).

The connection of group with group is not only nominal. They share weaponry, they instruct each other in techniques. A home-made bomb of the same type used to kill Beckurts was used in the 1979 attempt near Mons, in Belgium, on the life of the then NATO commander, General Alexander Haig. Some of the ton of explosive stolen from a quarry at Ecausseins in Belgium was used in bomb attacks by a number of groups, including Action Directe in France, Combative Communist Cells (CCC) in Belgium, and the RAF in West Germany.

The terrorists also share their targets. Nato installations — oil pipelines in particular — and personnel, directors of large "military-industrial" companies, banks, courts and department stores.

There have been some national specializations. Action Directe has gone for Jewish targets, including

a synagogue and kosher restaurants; the Red Brigades for mayors and government ministers; CCC for gas and electricity works; the Germans for judges and public prosecutors. But they all want to create the impression of unity, of an awesome international movement co-ordinated, formidable, irresistible.

These groups regard themselves as being "in solidarity" with the IRA and the Basque separatist group, Eta. But the IRA expressed contempt for the RAF when it commented that for the RAF to call a "commando" after Patrick O'Hara was a blasphemous use of a hero's name.

Generally, the groups are not politically potent and have few members. The RAF consists of barely two dozen activists, the close sympathizer circle, those willing to shelter and assist them, has shrunk considerably since the heyday of middle-class terrorism in the early and mid-1970s, when dabbling in radicalism was considered the height of intellectual chic. (On the other hand, the wider circle of Western left-wing ideologues has become far more visible and audacious: crusades of militant dissenters and aggressive peace campaigners, sentimental ecologists, liberation theologians, and so on.)

The arrest of leading members of the CCC in December and January virtually put an end to its activities, at least for the time being. The Red Brigades was

depleted almost to nothing by arrests after the police found and released the kidnapped General Lee Dozier in 1982.

In France, though, the trend is in the opposite direction. Leaders of Action Directe had been safely put away in prison, but President Mitterrand granted them amnesty in early 1984 and within a month they were bombing again. Recruitment and enthusiasm increased. Maxime Frérot, an ex-marine police headquarters in Paris, is suspected of at least two other bombings and murders.

Most of those still at large have been involved in terrorism for some time, and have long left their youth behind. Of those wanted in West Germany for the Beckurts murder, Eva Sybille Haule-Frimpong is 32, Birgit Elisabeth Klump — suspected of being the bait last August to trap a young GI murdered for his papers granting access to the US airbase at Frankfurt — is 29, Sigrid Siernebeck — suspected of buying the car used for the Frankfurt airport attack — is 37, and still wanted from the "old days".

If she is still alive, Susanne Albrecht, wanted for the murder of her godfather, Jürgen Ponto, in 1977, is now 35. The oldest is the 46-year-old Baron Eikehard von Seckendorff-Gudent, a qualified doctor.

Those who are pushing middle age must surely begin to find their underground life-style — if not the callow clichés of their political faith — uncomfortable. One may wonder what the future holds in store for them: violent death or lengthy imprisonment are their likely fates. Starting a new life, with another identity, is a possibility (and some have probably managed it).

The most unlikely eventuality, but the hope they nevertheless seem to cling to, is that "the Revolution" will bring them to power. Perhaps some of them will go on for years, hiding and plotting, shooting people and blowing things up, until their happier contemporaries are grandparents. Hell's Aged they will be, still musing the dull epigrams of the Victorian Karl Marx, the absurdities of the half-forgotten Herbert Marcuse, the banal thoughts of Mao Tse-tung. They will be greying relics of the youthful anger and excitement of 1968; lethal old bones of the western world.

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Keith Hampson

The right mix for Baker

There are two fs in politics: feel and flair. Few ministers have both. Sir Keith Joseph didn't. Michael Heseltine did. And so does Kenneth Baker. In a few short weeks Baker has revived Tory morale.

It is a relief that more money has been found for the new schools exam, and Baker might get even more — such as the advantages of being the new man, coping with politically sensitive issues insensitively handled.

The politics of education are concerned principally with the schools, but Baker could do both himself and his party a lot of good by viewing higher education more generously. "Higher education" should, of course, embrace all those opportunities beyond school, for Britain's industrial future will rest on the retraining of adults.

Here lies the importance of student loans, which should not be seen as a means of economizing. They are the road to an overdue liberalizing and expansion of higher education.

Talk of loans invariably produces a knee-jerk reaction from the National Union of Students, which sees any renewed discussion of them as being a conspiracy by reactionary Tories. But no government has found it possible to keep student grants in line with inflation. At the moment, the cost is £700 million. The system can hardly last indefinitely, and students are increasingly having to borrow. Furthermore, it cannot be argued that a grants-only policy has proved effective in increasing the participation of working-class children in higher education.

However, even if the principle of loans is agreed, a scheme's acceptability will depend on its details. There are two essential elements to this: to be seen to be a fair loan scheme must not act as a deterrent to lower-income families and, secondly, repayment must be related to income.

Sir Keith Joseph long believed in student loans, but in 1981 his proposals ran into strong Treasury opposition and the hostility of a handful of cabinet members. The context of that scheme was the search for saving in public expenditure. Now the issues are different, and the parental means test has become an acute political embarrassment.

In 1981 education ministers decreed that a 100 per cent loan scheme would not be politically possible. So they proposed a 50-50 scheme: every student would have a basic grant and the chance of a topping-up loan. In 1982 Sir Keith took another bite at the cherry. To prevent Treasury hysterics at the short-term costs of a government-funded scheme, the banks were approached. They, however, demanded to choose the students (those thought credit-worthy) and the option had to be dropped.

Amazingly, the Treasury then agreed on a paper with the Department of Education propos-

ing a government-run scheme. Mrs Thatcher and the Cabinet turned it down in 1983 — it was too close to the general election.

Let me outline two alternatives. The first is radical because of its ramifications affecting the traditional university honours degree system. All students could be provided with a two-year grant, without costly means-testing. They could then draw a loan for a third year unless they won a company sponsorship or won a place on grants targeted to key vocational areas. The Manpower Services Commission already offers loans for some retraining courses.

Alternatively, a mixed grant and loan scheme might retain full grants for students from poor backgrounds — say a family income of under £8,000. Grants could be adjusted according to income, and progressively replaced by loans.

Repayment must relate to income, with special arrangements for those in difficult circumstances and for women who decided not to be housewives. The rate of repayment should be lower in the first few years — to match lower starting salaries — and should not exceed 5 per cent of earnings. Repayments would normally be over 10 years, but extendable to, say, 15. In Germany and Denmark loans are interest-free, while most countries subsidize interest rates. But interest-free repayments should, at least, be indexed.

It would be desirable if the commercial banks could be used for even part of a scheme — for example in the case of mature students with assets of their own — with the government guaranteeing a percentage of the interest on loans for the rest. The United States and Sweden use banks and offer full government guarantees. Bank-run schemes would cost dramatically less to administer. A university would merely issue a letter of eligibility which the student would pass on to his bank for the loan.

Our present grants system inhibits the growth of higher education. The number of potential students is growing, yet colleges are placed on a number of students an institution can take. This is nonsense at a time when our major competitors are greatly expanding higher education. The margin of cost of enrolling an extra student might well be under £100; but the mandatory grant system imposes on the Treasury more than £1,000. There is no way any government will be able to afford to extend grants to the whole range of professional and vocational courses, to say nothing of part-time students.

A combination of grants and loans, in the right mix, would concentrate help where it is needed and extend access to people currently given little incentive. Parents and students alike would be better off.

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moreover... Miles Kington

Côtes of many callers

The first thing you notice about France is that every part of it has been given a label designed to attract the visitor. The French Riviera, the Côte d'Azur: these are the famous labels which make France into designer landscape, but every other bit has a name as well. On the map of the small bit of Brittany which we visited there was a Côte de Jade, Côte d'Amour, Côte de Bruyères and a Côte Sauvage. They sound more like perfumes than coastlines.

Every road is the Route or Chemin de something. The road up Normandy to Cherbourg isn't just the Cherbourg Road, it's the Voie de Liberation along which the Americans poured in 1944, and to mark it they have erected by the roadside, every kilometre, pink landmarks halfway between pill-boxes and Daleks which are without doubt the ugliest landmarks ever installed.

If there are any bits of France left without a label, the local debate must be agonizing...

"We have a delightful piece of coast, almost 3½ kilometres long. But it has no name! Mon Dieu, we are the laughing stock of the Côte d'Amour. Not even the Americans invaded us."

"But all we have to pride ourselves on is our pig farming. What can we do with that?"

"Easy. Call our coast the Côte des Porcs!"

"Port chops?"

"Hm. You're right. This could be tricky."

Every little town advertises itself. As you approach, you see the name of the town on the sign and then the attractions below: "Champigny — Ville Fleurie — Son Château, Son Eglise, Son Wayside Hot Dog Stall", etc.

Even our little village, near the mouth of the River Vilaine, had its roll call of honour, although the population was barely 400. "Tréguier, Port de Pêche, Centre Mytilicole", it proclaimed. Fishing port we understood, easily enough, but Centre Mytilicole? What obscure science could mytiliculture be? Only, as it turned out, the art of mussel-gathering, but the French are clever, you see, and Mytilicole Centre sounds just that more impressive than "Place with Lots of Mussels". French label worship knows no

bounds. Half the Loire area is plastered this year with posters saying: "Muscadet, tu me plais", which seems slightly wasted in the Loire area. Even more over the top, to a Breton, was the slogan seen in the back of a French-registered Austin Metro: "Où, je me plains trop, dans mon Austin Métro", which must be the most contrived rhyme as well as a rather notice on view in France this year. I preferred the rather sober claim seen on the label of a French vin rouge ordinaire: "We think you will appreciate the sincerity of this wine..."

They take their shell-fish seriously and seriously in Tréguier. The building in which the eels, lobsters, mussels and langoustes were sold was once a chapel, the stone cross still above the door, and the dark, damp depths where the crabs and lobsters flourished in their tanks were pleasantly worshipping. They advertised electric oyster knives for sale, but the fish lady recommended me not to buy one.

"Il ne sont pas sérieux", she said. "Pas pour les professionnels. Only housewives and men with no patience would use one."

A couple of weeks after we arrived she asked us if we had had any medical trouble after eating mussels in the last day or so.

"Is there some trouble?"

"Non, non", she said. "Elles sont tres bonnes à manger, mais parfois elles vous rendent malade après. They are perfectly all right to eat, but sometimes they make you ill afterwards. Yes, the French have a gift for publicity language."

Two days later there was a sign on the door of a local restaurant, saying that after a local government decree, the sale of mussels had temporarily been suspended, which is a bit of a blow to a mytilocological centre. The fish lady was of the firm opinion that the mussels were temporarily disturbed by the building of a dam in the river.

"One hears of people getting stomach trouble from shell-fish", she said. "Why should shell-fish not get stomach trouble from people?"

Exactly. Meanwhile, there is nothing wrong with anything else, especially the wine. Muscadet, in the plain. Calvados, in the house.

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MR HESELTINE'S GHOST

A dangerous grip is tightening around the Chancellor's arm. The grand visions, the high strategy, the fiscal consistency: all are in danger of falling in the Cabinet's scrum. Of character (out of necessity) Mr Nigel Lawson is struggling before his colleagues' clammy entreaties, digging deep into the Contingency Reserve in his attempt to keep spending within the planned total, hoping that he can retain a margin for cutting income tax while lubricating the machine for a 1987 general election.

The Cabinet meets tomorrow. Lower oil prices are eating ever deeper into expected revenues from the North Sea. Slower growth in the economy (apparent in the first half of 1986) may produce a shortfall in general revenues. The latest weakness in the stock market reduces the Government's options for raising revenue from asset sales.

In theory, the way those revenues are to be spent in 1987-88 will not be decided until the autumn: reports of firm decisions on this or that bid are likely to be moves in the game that spending ministers perennially play with the Chief Secretary to the Treasury. Yet a conclusive decision is due tomorrow on the shape of local authority spending in 1987-88 and it could determine the Government's entire room for manoeuvre.

The ghost of Mr Michael Heseltine will doubtless be on the prowl. It is he who was

responsible for bringing final decisions on local authority spending plans forward to July. It could turn out, once again, that the Government's financial fate will hang on council spending.

The problem can be expressed in two ways. Either the Government has failed to carry out its decisions to reduce public expenditure by local authorities or, (to be kinder to the councils), the Government has consistently underestimated what councils needed to spend on manifold functions that are in most cases set out in centrally-imposed rulebooks. But, however it is expressed, the clear fact remains that during the current financial year local authorities in England (the figures are proportionately the same in Scotland) will exceed the planning totals by around £2 billion. Before planning for 1987-88 can begin, allowance has to be made for that excess.

The Government could once again (and probably just as vainly) mount a grand campaign to squeeze from the system vast amounts of money within months. But the indications are that Mr Ridley has learnt the lesson all his predecessors at the Department of the Environment came to absorb. The planned totals are wrong, and have to be changed.

Mr Ridley has little choice but to live with the £2 billion excess, and his colleagues have little choice but to accept it. Rumours from Lord Whitelaw's Cabinet commit-

tee on the Rate Support Grant suggest, however, that they are to pay centrally for more of the local authority total - in other words, that they will not only forgive the overshoot, but even help finance it from the Exchequer. The RSG proportion is apparently to remain the same as in 1986-87. This will allow councils, broadly speaking, to pay for their 1987 expenditure without increasing their call on the ratepayers.

The political reasons for this are easily understood. Successive Conservative Secretaries of State for the Environment have had to stand at the despatch box and listen to the anguish of their shire county colleagues over rate increases allegedly forced on them by reductions in rate support grant. What better springboard for a May or June election in 1987 than a round of local authority imposts only at the level of inflation?

But the policy has its costs. It substitutes rates relief for relief from income tax, something the Government has chosen not to do during the past six years.

The logic of the Government's thinking about the future of council finance is that local payers should bear a greater proportion of the marginal cost of their local authorities' outlays - in other words that local government be made in a financial sense more truly local. That means, the green paper correctly says, educating the public in fiscal reality. It means some pain as they feel the effects of expenditure decisions by their councils.

MORE COHABITATIONS

The dynamic duo of President François Mitterrand and Prime Minister Jacques Chirac, who between them are shaping the destiny of France in the middle 1980s, seem to have proved once more that they can live together - just about. The compromise which now seems likely to emerge at, or shortly after, today's Cabinet, is a tribute to the Byzantine arrangements which lie just below the surface of contemporary politics in Paris. It has always looked likely that the first big test of "cohabitation" between a left-wing President and his right-wing Premier would come over privatization. Just over three months ago, Mitterrand made clear his intention to block government plans to push through de-nationalization by decree. At least, he would oppose that part of the programme which dealt with companies brought under state control before 1981 - in other words, those nationalized by General de Gaulle after the liberation of France in the Second World War.

This week he went one step further by announcing his refusal to sign any privatization decree that might be brought before today's Cabinet by his equally determined prime minister. Privatization, he said, would open the way

for foreign gold-diggers to move in upon some of the that M Chirac should ensure that the legislation would be enacted through a bill presented to the National Assembly and thus passed into law by parliament.

M Chirac has little choice but to agree. The removal of the 65 companies and banks from the public sector is a supporting plank in the right-wing platform, and with two years at most before the next presidential elections, he wants to get this solid achievement beneath him. His only alternative would be for the government to resign, thus precipitating a crisis for which the electorate might not readily forgive him. Anyway, by agreeing to sign a number of other less controversial decrees and extending the lifetime of the present parliament, the president has entered into a compromise which should enable M Chirac to get his privatization through, though later and with rather more political trouble than he would have liked.

In that sense the result of this clash between irresistible force and immovable object would seem to be a draw - which has left both the combatants perpendicular. But it also looks as if it is the richest seams of French industry and finance. In such

circumstances, he felt, the least President who has scored the moral victory. While he has never pretended that he could obstruct for ever the passage of the government's de-nationalization programme, he has raised an important point of principle in securing its delay.

He has done so too in the cleverest possible way. By first invoking the ghost of President de Gaulle, then emphasizing the fear of an invasion by foreign interests - and doing so moreover on Bastille Day - he has practically pinned the tricolour to his cause.

Since the accession of M Chirac to power, the President has been content to concentrate on foreign policy, leaving domestic affairs to his Prime Minister. With recent visits to Washington and Moscow to his credit, this has had the advantage of elevating his status and removing him from the hurly-burly back at home. He has looked very much like a president - and his high ratings in recent opinion polls have reflected this brighter image. He has now shown himself to be a man of principle, yet one who is prepared to compromise in the interests of a stable Fifth Republic. For a man of principle, he is proving a very skilful politician.

THE PROFIT IN WORK

In the search for long-term measures to help more people keep their jobs and encourage over-cautious employers to create more, it is hard to imagine a more useful industrial reform than relating people's pay more clearly to profits. Variable rewards form a built-in stabilizer to keep companies afloat and men in work in hard times. They offer nervous employers a safety valve on costs when they are thinking of taking on more permanent employees. And they give employees a direct and substantial interest in the performance of the enterprise that provides their livelihood.

Accordingly, in his last Budget speech, Mr Nigel Lawson proposed in principle that there should be tax reliefs to encourage profit sharing. The Government's Green Paper on profit-related pay is a great improvement on Treasury officials' first attempt to put flesh on that idea.

The early prototype, presented to the National Economic Development Council as a basis for discussion in May, was arguably too ambitious and aimed at too difficult a target: pay rather than pay rises. However desirable it might be, it was perhaps unrealistic to envisage that employees would voluntarily convert a fifth or more of existing wages to more variable profit-related pay in

exchange for tax relief that was intended to be temporary.

Employers and professionals in industrial relations were, however, sufficiently committed to the benefits to be had from relating profit to pay that the initial paper provoked a highly constructive debate. And that debate has produced a workable if less dramatic plan.

The new proposals are ideally tailored to replacing part or all of annual pay rises by profit-sharing bonuses on Japanese lines. The Green Paper itself does not make this conceptual leap, but it is implicit in the lower limit of 5 per cent of pay being profit-related to qualify for the reduced tax relief as well as the effective upper limit of 20 per cent. And profit-related bonuses, geared to profits actually achieved in the current year, might even be paid annually.

This is to be welcomed, for it is automatic annual pay rises, currently at a wholly excessive rate, that most threaten costs, competitiveness and jobs. If pay rises are compounded into bonuses over a run of three or four years, companies could soon see a fifth of their annual pay bill related to profits. Moreover, the gradual build-up of this different kind of pay would tend to raise the rate of savings, an essential ingredient

in accelerating long-term growth of the economy.

The Green Paper relates the lower level of tax relief - if there is to be any at all - to the less demanding conditions of the revamped scheme. Since it is much more likely to appeal to management and employees, "the effect would be that a larger number of people would each get a smaller amount of relief."

There are, however, other reasons for substituting a rosy tax radish for the previous juicy carrot. Millions in the public sector and elsewhere, by reason of the nature of their employment, could not be eligible for these reliefs. In general, tax reform should be moving towards a more neutral tax system with a broad tax base, low tax rates and few specific reliefs. Every new relief points towards higher tax rates.

Mr Lawson is clearly torn between this objective and promoting profit-sharing. That invites the criticism that, as with personal equity plans, the scheme is half-hearted. But the Chancellor is right to think of longer-term objectives. Tax relief would help start the profit-related pay bandwagon rolling at the faster pace necessary to have a general effect on employment. But it should then live by its own considerable virtues.

Need to back up Channel tunnel

From the Director of the British Road Federation
Sir, It was, I think, Stanley Baldwin who said that our border was no longer at Dover but on the Rhine.

By the same token the necessary supporting highway infrastructure for a Channel tunnel extends far beyond East Kent. It seems clear to me that the Government has already seriously miscalculated both in terms of need and of urgency.

Beginning in Kent itself there is quite clearly an under-estimate of future traffic volumes on the M20/A20. As long ago as 1966 Kent County Council urged the need for four-lane carriageways on the M20. Yet the still-to-be-built section between Maidstone and Ashford will have only three lanes while it is only planned to upgrade the existing Maidstone by-pass to the same standard.

Meanwhile the M2 (dual two lanes) is already severely congested though the Department of Transport actually forecasts decreased traffic on this route after the disappointments of M25 surely the department is not going to get it wrong again?

Further afield, the Government appears to have given little thought to the impact of the Channel tunnel. The M1 is already heavily trafficked and delays are common, not least when necessary maintenance is in hand. It would seem essential to have the M40 (Oxford-Birmingham) complete and open by 1993.

Similarly, if it is successful at all, the Channel tunnel will surely encourage tourism. Yet a high-standard route westwards along the south coast is making desperately slow progress.

Plans may well exist for these and many other equally necessary roads. The existing programme must be urgently reviewed to speed up the construction of all those roads which are necessary to complement the provision of the Channel tunnel. What this Government lacks is the political will to inject a sense of urgency which will make the most of such a major investment. The French are not making the same mistake.

PETER WITT, Director, British Road Federation, Cowdroy House, 6 Portugal Street, WC2.

On the gray train

From Professor H. M. Ettinghausen

Sir, For some reason, no doubt, Fiona Maddocks ("From milk round to gray train", July 8) makes a meal of Oxford and Cambridge, all three of the graduates she profiles as about to enter well-paid jobs being Oxford "products".

At least one of our graduates this year has accepted a first job, in banking, which in three months' time will pay him more than the salary of the majority of university lecturers, including thousands who have taught and carried out research for 20 years or more, such is the blockage at the top of the lecturers' scale.

The student in question, a personable and articulate lad (in French and Spanish, as well as English) has obtained a lower second-class degree. Is it any wonder that the best-qualified graduates think at least twice before going into the teaching profession, at any level?

Yours faithfully,
HENRY ETTINGHAUSEN, University of Southampton, School of Modern Languages, Highfield, Southampton, July 9.

Setting to rights

From Mr Roy Atkins

Sir, The Reverend D. G. Richards (July 7) obviously moves in a rather narrow social circle.

I well remember a time, as indeed may some of his parishioners, when some less affluent families covered their dinner tables with sheets of newspaper, and we betide anyone who dirtied this "table cloth" before it had been read.

Yours faithfully,
ROY ATKINS, 134 Gilt Road, Edgbaston, Birmingham, West Midlands, July 7.

Rural 'blight'

From Mr Dermot F. Byrne

Sir, Lady Gibberd (July 10) is quite entitled to her personal views about Harlow Council's proposed residential development to the east of Harlow. Suffice to say this authority believes that her statements about the impact of development are seriously misleading, and considers that more than one view can be taken about the absolute duty to maintain the integrity of her husband's master plan for Harlow, drawn up nearly 30 years ago.

Our proposals are designed to meet the town's very serious housing needs, are in line with the county council's proposals for revising its structure plan, maintain the defence of the green belt, and have little, if anything, to do with Stansted Airport or related regional issues.

UGC defends attitude on Birkbeck

From the Chairman of the University Grants Committee

Sir, The University Grants Committee grant to the University of London is a block grant, which the Court of the university can distribute between the various parts of the university as it thinks best. It is open to the Court, as it has always been, to ask for additional information about the make-up of the grant; and it is the Court's right to ignore that information if it chooses.

For a number of years the Court has given Birkbeck College substantially more than the sum allowed for Birkbeck within the UGC grant to London; this year the Court has decided to change that policy. That is not a matter for which the UGC can properly be blamed.

It is not the policy of the UGC to reveal the details of how the block grant to London is made up, because to do so would reduce the freedom of the Court to decide on its allocations. But in view of all the misleading statements that have been made in the last few weeks, I should make an exception in this case.

The amount allowed for Birkbeck in the 1985-86 block grant to

London was £610 million; as a result of last Thursday's decision, the amount allowed in the 1986-87 grant will be £6.16 million.

More generally, the UGC's current policy on funding part-time students is based on the principle that, taken over the whole length of a course, a part-time student should attract the same resources as a full-time student on the same course. Thus for example, a Birkbeck part-time undergraduate takes four years over a course which a full-time student would complete in three; for resource purposes he or she therefore counts at 0.75.

What the friends of Birkbeck claim, stripped of its rhetoric, is that part-time students in London should be much better resourced than part-time students in the rest of Britain, in addition to the 10 per cent London weighting which all university education in London attracts. It is a general belief of Londoners that they deserve preferential treatment; that view is not shared by the UGC.

Yours sincerely,
PETER SWINERTON-DYER, Chairman, University Grants Committee, 14 Park Crescent, W1.

S Africa sanctions

From Mr Basil Davidson

Sir, We must be seriously near the point where anger or contempt can be the only responses likely to be felt by those among us who have thought long and deep about the affairs of southern Africa, when now confronted by the policies and posturings of our Government.

One by one they throw away old African friends and allies, step by step they take our country closer to political impotence.

As things now stand, if still against the influence of General Magnus Malan and his backers, much of the Cabinet in Pretoria has privately accepted the overriding need for a prestigious intermediary that could bring them into discussion, and then into negotiation, with the leaders of the black majority.

But the latter, with no important dissentients, also accept the same need in reverse. Deprived of that, they very understandably refuse to jettison their trump cards before substantial gains are reliably conceded by the whites; and they necessarily stand pat on their basic demands: release of Nelson Mandela and others, legalisation of the ANC, and open arena for democratic political development.

These demands being refused, the result is deadlock, and, with deadlock, worsening violence, much of it on either side now beyond political control.

The Government of Britain has been uniquely placed by history, old attachments and past competence to undertake this potentially decisive task of mediation. But to achieve the necessary credibility it has become likewise necessary that the British Government should commit itself, unequivocally, to a programmed dismantlement of the apartheid system.

This in turn has imposed the need for a commitment to effective public action; in the situation we have reached today, and however regrettable, there has to mean a policy of promoting punitive sanctions.

Without that, Pretoria's leaders will not act or be able to act against their own last-ditchers. Without it, they will not act.

Physics lottery

From the Executive Secretary of the Institute of Physics

Sir, This country is not short of 150 physics teachers, as shown in the table in your Education Correspondent's report (July 10). A more realistic figure would be more than 10 times that amount as the Institute of Physics has clearly shown through analyses of questionnaire returns.

You have to take into account (i) the number of "physics" lessons taught by unqualified teachers; (ii) the number of physics lessons which are changed to "science" and not taught by physicists; (iii) the number of physics periods which would be on the timetable (if only headteachers

equally, the black leaders and those who support them will have no belief in Britain's sincerity. Yet this is the commitment which Prime Minister Thatcher has specifically and even stridently rejected.

We are told by the Prime Minister that counter-sanctions - non-military sanctions, effective economic sanctions - alone capable now of opening a real prospect of peace, as well as giving Britain the status of a critical and perhaps decisive mediator, would be immoral or useless or both. As a country, with this we lose on all counts now, but still more in the future.

Yours sincerely,
BASIL DAVIDSON, Old Cider Mill, North Wootton, Somerset, July 12.

From Mr J. H. Spencer Ashworth
Sir, On July 15, 1916, the South African Brigade, commanded by General H. T. Lukin, attacked the strong German position at Delville Wood. The Brigade comprised battalions drawn from the Cape, Natal and the Orange Free State, Rhodesia and the Transvaal, also a battalion made up of Scotsmen from all over South Africa.

The South Africans were ordered to capture and hold the wood, even if similar attacks by 26 and 27 Brigades against Longueval, on their left, should fail.

The South Africans captured their objective and continued to hold it for six days, until relieved. At one point in the battle it was estimated that German shells were falling on the wood at a rate of 400 per minute. Only 750 men survived the action.

Most of us are too young to remember the Somme battles, but it is sad to reflect that those men, our own kith and kin, who came so readily to our aid were the same stock some seek to revile today. We depended upon them then; they need our help and friendship now.

Yours obediently,
J. SPENCER ASHWORTH, The Lodge, Stubbard, Fakenham, Norfolk, July 8.

could recruit the physics staff they so desperately need) but which have had to be replaced by periods of other subjects which can be covered; (iv) the number of trained physics graduates on school staffs who no longer teach physics but who are counted, in some statistical returns, as if they did teach the subject.

To bring this point home: if a middle-school pupil is being taught physics at all, then the chance of being taught physics by a trained physics graduate is, in this country, about one in five.

Yours faithfully,
L. COHEN, Executive Secretary, The Institute of Physics, 47 Belgrave Square, SW1, July 10.

British tennis

From the Executive Director of the Lawn Tennis Association

Sir, It is of course a matter of great concern to the Lawn Tennis Association that it is 50 years (not 30 as stated in your article of July 4) since a British male won the Wimbledon championships; but

to place the responsibility, and call for the sacking of our director of coaching, who has only been in his job for 11 months, seems harsh, even by the standards of Association Football.

Whilst our performance at Wimbledon has been very disappointing, to put the matter in perspective, Britain is ranked 10th in the world in terms of computer points amongst the 124 nations who are members of the ITF (International Tennis Federation) and we are currently in the last eight of the Davis Cup, exactly the same stage reached by England to such acclaim in the World Cup recently.

The improvement of our standards requires a comprehensive programme of junior development, improvements in facilities and tournaments, plus the availability of the best coaches to those players who have displayed real potential.

Let me assure your readers that the LTA and its staff, who are not unduly restricted by bureaucracy, will use all the resources at their disposal to endeavour to provide players of the standard expected by the British sporting public.

ON THIS DAY

JULY 16 1860

The Great Eastern was the first iron-built, steam-driven liner. Designed by Isambard Kingdom Brunel and built by John Scott Russell, she was finally launched, after a series of mishaps at Wapping in 1857. Her career as a passenger liner was short and not entirely successful; in 1866 she accomplished the laying of the first Atlantic cable. The Great Eastern was broken up at Liverpool in 1889.

MAIDEN VOYAGE OF GREAT EASTERN.

(From Our Special Correspondent.)

NEW YORK, June 29. For the first hour after her arrival [June 28] the Great Eastern was left pretty quiet in that still, hot sea, with the sun blazing down fiercely on her white decks, and not a breath of wind even to move the dull column of smoke from the funnels, which went straight as the masts high into the sultry air. Coasters, looking like black yachts, were all over the bay, their close-fitting white cotton sails drawn flat as boards. But all in vain; they only moved to the gentle swell without advancing an inch, and seemed to repose in their own dark shadows.

The ferment caused by our arrival was not to be readily anticipated. As first it only manifested itself in the occasional advent of those queer-looking steamers, very much in appearance like the popular types of Noah's Ark, with the addition of paddle-engines, two or three white cotton reefs, and some 500 or 600 people also in white cotton. These vessels, all decorated with flags, and swaying to and fro under their crowds of visitors, who cheered, waving handkerchiefs, clapped hands, and shouted till one's ears ached, went round and round the ship, and then stopping under the stern their delighted passengers made offers of anything we might want - newspapers, cigars, ice, &c. The band of the Great Eastern had hard work that day, standing up on the hot paddlebox (Mount Misery they called it) and playing "Hail Columbia" every minute, in return to the harmonic compliments of "God save the Queen," "Rule Britannia" &c., which came over the water from all sides. At 2 o'clock, as the tide was then making fast over the bar, the Great Eastern fired two guns and got under way. She took a short turn round the bay before "offering" at the shallow to get good way on her, so that in case of touching she might easily push through the sand. She drew 26 feet aft, and there was evidently no depth of water sufficient, as her stern touched slightly and stirred up the sand, but before one could well guess it she was over the bar, and the last danger of the Great Eastern's voyage was safely passed. Three tremendous cheers were given for Mr. Murphy, the pilot, by all on board, and the voyage up the harbour commenced. With it also commenced such a scene of excitement and enthusiasm as outdid even the great demonstration of that morning when the Great Eastern first left her moorings in the Thames. The spit at Sandy Hook was crowded with visitors, who waved their hands and waved their hats to the ship. The bell at the lighthouse was clanging madly in honour of the occasion, and signal flags of every hue and colour were drooping in the sun, though still giving an air of festivity and animation, even to the arid spot over which they were expected to flutter. As the harbour opened out it could be seen covered with a perfect fleet of yachts, which now, favoured with a slight breeze, were skimming across the still water from all directions towards us, their flags waving, their crews cheering and shouting a welcome till they were hoarse again. Great ferry-boats and coasting steamers, looking for all the world like a street of houses floating out to sea, with their three tiers of windows and regular cotton roofs, came rolling slowly down - decks, roofs, and windows all crowded with eager heads - the ladies waving handkerchiefs and clapping hands - the men shouting and cheering - all seeming wild with exultation and delight. Past the shores of Staten Island, and on to the Narrows, the Great Eastern continued her stately way, every minute increasing the excitement, and adding scores to the numbers of yachts, pleasure-boats, and steamers swarming round. In vain the band of the Great Eastern played "Hail Columbia," in vain the bands of the other steamers essayed "Rule Britannia," music was drowned and shouted down with cheers. The "universal hat" went into the air - the "universal handkerchief" was waved, and the Americans, always "guessing," guessed for this time truly when they said no such ovation had ever been paid to any vessel in the world. It was a heart-stirring welcome, and one which even now that it is past and done one cannot recall without a feeling of emotion and astonishment.

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THE ARTS

Television
Blind to reality

Sonyana Pei (TV), a documentary about the new Nissan car plant near Sunderland, could have been submitted to the Peacock Committee intact, as a model of the worst that TV can produce.

It ought to have been impossible to make a bad film about 25 men of the North-East travelling to the colossal Nissan plant in Yokohama to be trained in the Japanese way of making cars and managing men. The plant itself was a dream environment for a sci-fi movie, all gleaming machinery and cascades of sparks. All this left the director unmoved. The programme appeared to have been shot by a computer, edited by a robot and scripted by a Dalek.

The major topic of discussion was whether our bonny lads were going to eat raw fish. And the commentary contained a subtlety of raging xenophobia. "There are some boys in the direction of the East they won't make," announced the triumphant voice-over, introducing shots of the workers' morning exercises, from which the Brits were absent.

The Yokohama plant produces almost half a million cars a year and the British factory will be making 100,000 vehicles annually by the end of this decade, creating 3,000 jobs in an area of previous industrial decline. Japanese management techniques have created that country's prosperity. These techniques can be transplanted to dying western industries, but this programme did not wish to be confused with such facts. The land of the rising sun had nothing to teach Britain, it implied.

The subject required authoritative industrial reporting: in its place was an hour of economic black propaganda. The word "union" was hardly mentioned. No spokesman from Nissan was interviewed. The art of management seemed to be a taboo topic. The programme was also an insult to the men on whom it focused, who were clearly intelligent, articulate and hard-working individuals who absorbed the lessons of Yokohama eagerly.

Celia Brayfield

This week Sir Colin Davis (right) comes to the end of his 15-year residence as music director of the Royal Opera House; there have been good times and bad, but now the moment has come for pure music-making rather than the cares of administration: interview by John Higgins

A chance to pursue freedom afresh

Next Saturday Sir Colin Davis ends his stay as music director of Covent Garden, a term that has lasted 15 years. True to character he goes out on a final production, of Beethoven's *Fidelio*, full of controversy. The premiere was a stormy one, although not more stormy than *The Duichman* earlier in the season (not conducted by Davis). He had to receive a certain amount of the booing intended for the production team of Andrei Serban and Sally Jacobs, who declined to take a curtain-call. Davis remains unrepentant about that staging. And indeed the close, including the antics of the big black bat of death which swallowed up Don Pizarro, has now been cleaned up. His view is that once a concept has been decided on no one should lose his nerve. His defence is that the Serban approach has certainly got people talking. So, at the end of the week Sir Colin leaves not with a gala, of which he has conducted several during his tenure, but on a special Prom performance of *Fidelio*. The order of the day will be shirt-sleeves, not black tie, and the stalls of the Royal Opera House will already have been cleared for the post-performance party, which is likely to be a very egalitarian affair.

The Covent Garden Proms, sponsored as ever by Midland Bank, have been one of the major developments of the Davis rule. Some see them as his own brainchild, but he is fast with the disclaimer. "Ideas grow like mushrooms in the night. Who knows where they start? They just crop up in different places. Preparations for my farewell performance were made without my knowledge, but as far

as I am concerned it's an ideal way to say goodbye. If I were to have one parting wish it would be for a lowering of seat prices at Covent Garden, and the Proms are the nearest we will get to it."

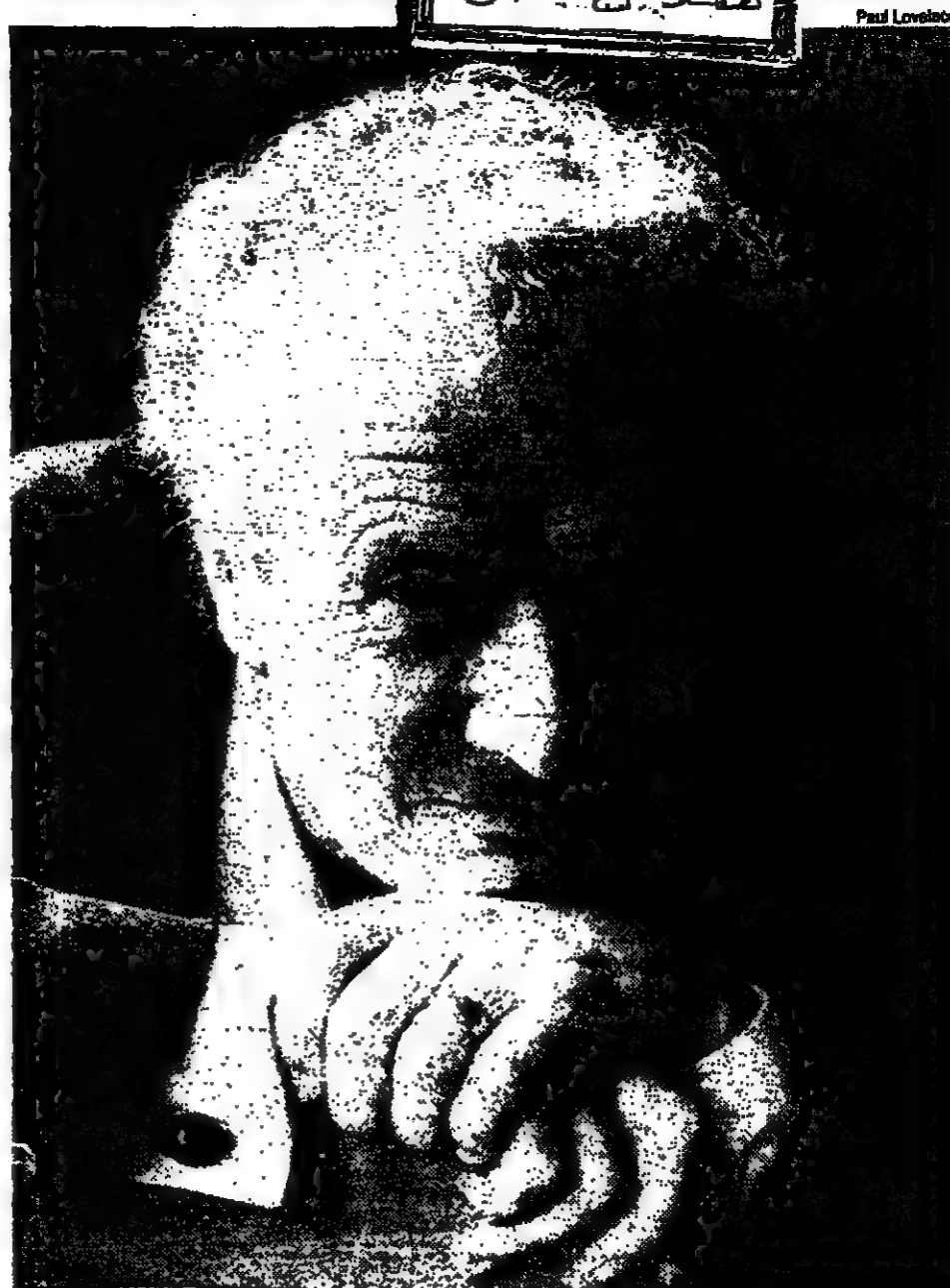
Davis, who will be 60 next year, is now a mellow man. The belligerence which characterized his opening period at the Royal Opera has almost gone. One real outburst of anger annually is now reckoned to be sufficient. The fury he is likely to have felt at the end of the opening night of *Fidelio* was well suppressed. He does not seek publicity and gives interviews rarely and reluctantly. He speaks rapidly, almost in a whisper and never raising his voice. Fifteen years is a long time to stay at one house and Davis during this period has done little operatic work outside London. His career at Covent Garden fits neatly into three spans: five years weathering the initial storms, five years building and five years enjoying the rewards. Some time ago he told *The Times* that when he departed he wanted to be replaced immediately — "no gaps in the succession". That wish has not been granted, and there will be a gap before Bernard Haitink takes over full-time. Finding the right man to follow Davis has given Sir John Tooley and the Covent Garden board far more worry than a whole battalion of defecting tenors. Those first five years were hard, and Sir Colin Davis now admits it: "I'm not much of a one for looking back, but they were pretty awful. In straight terms I was just not accepted. There were singers who did not like me and there were members of the orchestra who did not like me. I was criti-

cized for not doing things the Solti way, but who is to say that he was wrong or that I was wrong? So either you have to stay and fight or you just chuck the whole thing in. Would I stay and fight now if it happened all over again? Well, there's a difference between being 45 and being 60."

Much of the contrast between the two music directors boiled down to opposing ways of raising the temperature. Solti did it by his own presence in the pit; Davis saw the responsibilities of the music director in a quite different light. One of the hallmarks of the Davis regime was the flood of international conductors who suddenly arrived at Covent Garden. While Davis has been in control perhaps only three big names have been missing from the roster: Karajan, Bernstein and Barenboim.

On the dramatic side Davis was less fortunate. The partnership with Peter Hall that started with *The Knot Garden* fell apart when Hall went off to the National. Goetz Friedrich was the next in line and together they quite literally forged *The Ring* in the mid-Seventies. Then the marriage ended in messy divorce. Was this a turning-point for Davis? A quizzical look is followed by: "It might have been more important to Götz..."

"Yes, at the time I was terribly upset. There was a straightforward clash of temperaments and cultures. I'm mighty relieved that the whole thing has now been happily resolved. Nevertheless, that *Ring* has to count among the major achievements of the Davis era, along with *Grimes*, *Herrner*, *Tristan*, *Samson* and *Meistersinger*. Davis himself



would add in *Turandot*, whose first night in Los Angeles he reckons, with a rare use of a superlative, was tremendous. It is also the first time Italian opera has come into the conversation. It has been the weak area at Covent Garden for many years now and there are no great grounds for optimism in the future. Davis's defence is well prepared: "It is purely a matter of voices. You can put on a highly successful *Falstaff*, as we have done, without too much difficulty, but an *Aida* or a *Traviata* in a house like Covent Garden has to have great voices. There are only a handful of them around and they are spread too thinly over far too many opera houses. "We are expected here to

run what is tantamount to a year-long opera festival, and it is just not possible. Perhaps that is why some of the best young conductors, like Simon Rattle and Michael Tilson Thomas, are just not being lured into opera houses the way I went to Sadler's Wells when I was 30. The unwillingness to go through the slog with the human voice may be crucial to opera in the future."

And so back to the new Blakeian *Fidelio*, one of the first operas Colin Davis conducted at Covent Garden and one to which he has always been loyal, just as he has rarely moved from his recording company, Philips. He sees it as a work that is completely genuine: "Beethoven always meant what he was saying, and he knew that it was the

Rock
Volume up again

Eric Clapton
N.E.C., Birmingham

It has been a long time since Eric Clapton played in a quartet, but, coincidentally, on the same night that his former boss John Mayall made a rare appearance in London, Clapton was to be found in Birmingham leading Greg Phillinganes on keyboards, Nathan East on bass and Phil Collins on drums through many old hits and much unreleased material alike.

As they powered into a weighty version of Cream's "White Room" and then played a perfectly compatible new song, "Want to Make Love to You", the indications were that Clapton had come full-circle, having been at pains for so long to play down his heavy rock antecedents, he has brought his guitar back into the spotlight, and turned up the volume again. The move worked best during "Same Old Blues", a recent song with a riff that might have been written in the days of Willie Dixon's "Spoonful". As the slow, haunting rhythm pulsed behind him, Clapton stood stage-centre and fired off scattergun bursts of notes, frenetic sequences which he cut short with terse finality.

Phillinganes, who has played in Stevie Wonder's Wonderlove and George Benson's band, and East, session player who has worked with Whitney Houston and Lionel Richie, added much youthful vitality to the performance as well as being a powerful backing vocal team. Collins, apart from contributing his ubiquitous party piece, "In the Air Tonight", confined himself to playing the drums, and it was an unusual pleasure to see him giving undivided attention to the one musical activity he does best.

But there was a nagging impression of a promising collection of talents being underemployed in the service of this material. Clapton would never get away with omitting "Cocaine" and "Layla" from his set, but to hire a band like this to play "Sunshine of Your Love" and "Crossroads" seemed somewhat unadventurous, and new numbers like "Run", "Miss You" and "Testing Us Apart" were at best solid rock songs of an entirely predictable nature. They hit a relaxed blues swing for an encore of "Further On Up the Road" that John Mayall would have approved, but although they made a respectable nod at the past, there was little evidence of inspiration for the future.

David Sinclair

Concert

Nash Ensemble
St John's/Radio 3

Monday's audience at St John's, Smith Square, and radio listeners at home heard the first performance of a BBC commission calculated to avoid any lunchtime dyspepsia, either physical or intellectual.

Malcolm Lipkin's Quintet for flute, oboe, clarinet, horn and bassoon was written to celebrate the playing of the Nash Ensemble. But it stretches them to nowhere near their capacity, and has all the marks of a painstaking exercise, dutifully and honestly carried through, rather than of music which demanded to be written.

It was to the credit of the Nash that they played every note and phrased every phrase as if it were the music they loved best in the world. But a dour little tune, whose rhythmic and melodic being is dissected to provide matter for four variations, is too much of a non-starter in itself, and the Chorale which follows, though cunningly enough laid out, is similarly

weary in inventive direction. Only in the final Scherzo, a badinage stimulated by a pattern of five staccato semi-quavers in a bar, like a hedgehog jumping up and down on a pin-cushion, does this short work really risk enough to succeed. It served its 16-minute purpose, though, if only in making Rimsky-Korsakov's piece of pump-room merriment, the Quintet for piano and wind, seem a work of rather greater substance than it actually is.

Beethoven, to whom Rimsky turned in this work, in reaction against Balakirev, certainly knew a thing or two about getting up a head of steam from breaking up his material; and Brian Wightman's bassoon and Michael Collins's clarinet enjoyed drawing in their colleagues to a burgeoning of melodies, each one set against the other with a piquancy of Rimsky's own.

The air of *Sheherazade* drifted through the bosky counterpointing of the central Andante, and, with bassoon and piano (Ian Brown) as trampoline, the cavouring Rondo's giggle-like returns provided a string of tiny solo cadenzas. On the lips of players like Philippa Davies (flute) and John Pigneguy (horn), they were given just the sort of send-up Rimsky surely intended.

Hilary Finch

Dance
Young love movingly done

Romeo and Juliet
Coliseum

London Festival Ballet is back in town for a five-week season, but because of the lack of a real theatre for dance (roll on the Lyceum and the improved Sadler's Wells, please) it has to be split between the Coliseum and the Festival Hall. This week and next in St Martin's Lane there is the chance to see a wide-ranging repertoire changing every second night, followed by longer runs for some of the big classics on the South Bank.

There could be no better choice for the opening night than Ashton's *Romeo and Juliet*, easily the most beautiful of the four British productions in its dance invention and the most touching in its presentation of doomed young love.

Peter Schaufuss has a leaner look this season, which goes well with the impetuosity of his Romeo. He had a new Juliet on Monday night, Elisabetta Terabust. It is always interesting to see this sensitive artist, but she is at her best in modern roles and has to struggle against type to present this Renaissance child awakening to love. Besides, the considerable emphasis which Ashton's choreography puts on neat, intricate foot-



Peter Schaufuss (left) showing a leaner impetuosity as Romeo, with David Scott as Friar Laurence

work draws attention to the fact that this is not her strongest quality.

Another newcomer among the leading roles is Davide Bombana as Mercutio. He plays the role less flamboyantly than his fellow-countryman Raffaele Paganini did last year, but in his own quieter way he is no less convincing. His dancing is cleanly etched and fluent, he reveals a self sense of humour and he acts with his death scene with an effectively understated drama.

Schaufuss and Bombana were joined by Matz Skoog, a sprightly and attractively comic Benvolio, for the virtuoso male trio which is one of the highlights of Act II. Also notable among a strong cast was Patrick Armand's playing of Paris, so courteous, manly and handsome that Juliet might understandably have settled for him in Act I and saved herself all the problems that followed. Armand dances

powerfully, with springy rhythm, in his big solo at the Capulets' ball: one of many examples where Ashton's production offers dancing where other versions rely on mime. It was good to see again Kirsten Ralov's kind, sympathetic Lady Capulet. All these solo roles will have other interpreters during the season. The supporting ensemble remains much the same throughout, and it is encouraging that the dancers look both lively and cohesive.

John Percival

Theatre

Effective casting

The Miss
Firecracker
Contest
Greenwich

I missed Beth Henley's play when it appeared four years ago at the Bush Theatre. And, as the Bush launches so much good work which then sinks without trace, I am sorry to greet this revival of Simon Stokes's production as a sad let-down.

Part of the trouble lies in the snappy title. Relating to a beauty contest in small-town Mississippi, it carries a promise of aggressive vitality, brass bands, snapping garters and all the gleaming competitiveness of an American public event. Instead of which you have to settle for a whimsical domestic comedy about an unwanted girl making a pathetic bid for social acceptance. Abandoned by her father and known for her easy virtue, Carmelle enters the contest in the hope of gaining instant status and leaving home in a blaze of glory.

The surrounding characters are hardly any better off. Carmelle's elegant cousin, Elaine, is fleeing an unbearable rich husband; her seamstress, Popeye, is a blighted romantic in speakers and pebble-thick glasses. All three bring the first act down with a tearful chorus on their lost hopes. Then there is Elaine's down-and-out brother, Delmont, whose one skill

is to waggle his ears; by Act II even that talent has deserted him.

Miss Henley's dialogue has the peculiarly southern characteristic of combining elegance with the suggestion that the speaker is mentally retarded. This opens the way for some artful comic effects; and there is any amount of curiously precise detail, from the family spinning-wheel to Popeye's disclosure that she learnt her trade by designing clothes for frogs. What is lacking is a robust narrative. The action swings between hope and despair, always promising that things are finally going to get moving. Lonely as they look, the company yodel to fine effect with their southern vowels, and the casting of Gayle Hunnicutt, as a languishing firecracker of yesterday, and Sandra Dickinson as Carmelle, lumbering through a tap routine to "The Star-Spangled Banner", is spot on.

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62	Barbara Taylor	26	26	F	F	Catholic	Married	Nurse	High School	\$1050	\$525	\$525	\$1050	\$525	\$525	\$1050	\$525	\$525	\$1050	\$525	
63	George Walker	33	33	M	M	Anglican	Married	Teacher	High School	\$1150	\$575	\$575	\$1150	\$575	\$575	\$1150	\$575	\$575	\$1150	\$575	
64	Michelle Young	21	21	F	F	Catholic	Single	Student	High School	\$550	\$275	\$275	\$550	\$275	\$275	\$550	\$275	\$275	\$550	\$275	
65	Christopher Adams	34	34	M	M	Anglican	Married	Engineer	University	\$1350	\$675	\$675	\$1350	\$675	\$675	\$1350	\$675	\$675	\$1350	\$675	
66	Deborah Baker	29	29	F	F	Catholic	Married	Homemaker	High School	\$950	\$475	\$475	\$950	\$475	\$475	\$950	\$475	\$475	\$950	\$475	
67	David Clark	36	36	M	M	Anglican	Married	Doctor	University	\$1450	\$725	\$725	\$1450	\$725	\$725	\$1450	\$725	\$725	\$1450	\$725	
68	Jennifer Evans	23	23	F	F	Catholic	Single	Student	High School	\$650	\$325	\$325	\$650	\$325	\$325	\$650	\$325	\$325	\$650	\$325	
69	Kevin Foster	37	37	M	M	Anglican	Married	Businessman	University	\$1550	\$775	\$775	\$1550	\$775	\$775	\$1550	\$775	\$775	\$1550	\$775	
70	Linda Gibson	25	25	F	F	Catholic	Single	Writer	High School	\$750	\$375	\$375	\$750	\$375	\$375	\$750	\$375	\$375	\$750	\$375	
71	Paul Harris	39	39	M	M	Anglican	Married	Engineer	University	\$1600	\$800	\$800	\$1600	\$800	\$800	\$1600	\$800	\$800	\$1600	\$800	
72	Rebecca King	27	27	F	F	Catholic	Married	Nurse	High School	\$1000	\$500	\$500	\$1000	\$500	\$500	\$1000	\$500	\$500	\$1000	\$500	
73	Steven Lee	32	32	M	M	Anglican	Married	Teacher	High School	\$1200	\$600	\$600	\$1200	\$600	\$600	\$1200	\$600	\$600	\$1200	\$600	
74	Tracy Scott	24	24	F	F	Catholic	Single	Student	High School	\$600	\$300	\$300	\$600	\$300	\$300	\$600	\$300	\$300	\$600	\$300	
75	Victor Taylor	35	35	M	M	Anglican	Married	Engineer	University	\$1300	\$650	\$650	\$1300	\$650	\$650	\$1300	\$650	\$650	\$1300	\$650	

NET TO FIFTEEN YEARS

Name		Age		Sex		Religion		Marital Status	
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Portfolio Gold

From your portfolio card check your eight share price movements. Add them up to give you your overall total. Check this against the daily dividend figure published on this page. If it matches you have won outright or a share of the total prize money stated. If you are a winner follow the claim procedure on the back of your card. You must always have your card available when claiming.

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16	Cadbury Schweppes	Food	110	0	0	11.0
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18	Reckitt Higgs	Chemicals, Plastics	110	0	0	11.0
19	Dor	Food	110	0	0	11.0
20	BBA	Industrial A-D	110	0	0	11.0
21	Rayco	Industrial L-R	110	0	0	11.0
22	Morrison (W)	Food	110	0	0	11.0
23	NEI	Electricals	110	0	0	11.0
24	Freemans	Drugs, Stores	110	0	0	11.0
25	System Designers	Electricals	110	0	0	11.0
26	Cars Milling	Food	110	0	0	11.0
27	Avon Rubber	Industrial A-D	110	0	0	11.0
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32	Attwoods	Building, Roads	110	0	0	11.0
33	Dowling & Mills	Electricals	110	0	0	11.0
34	Baker Perkins	Industrial A-D	110	0	0	11.0
35	Caparo Ind	Industrial A-D	110	0	0	11.0
36	AIM	Industrial A-D	110	0	0	11.0
37	Volex	Electricals	110	0	0	11.0
38	Ford (Mersey)	Drugs, Stores	110	0	0	11.0
39	Provident	Bank, Discount	110	0	0	11.0
40	Flax Art Dev	Drugs, Stores	110	0	0	11.0
41	BTI	Chemicals, Plastics	110	0	0	11.0
42	Reckitt & Colman	Industrial L-R	110	0	0	11.0
43	Deceuninck	Industrial A-D	110	0	0	11.0
44	RHM	Food	110	0	0	11.0

Please be sure to take account of any minor signs

Weekly Dividend
Please make a note of your daily totals for the weekly dividend of £3,000 in Saturday's newspaper.

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN

BRITISH FUNDS

1986 High Low Company Price Change pence % P/E

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14	Chertsey Ltd	Industrial A-D	110	0	0	11.0
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18	Reckitt Higgs	Chemicals, Plastics	110	0	0	11.0
19	Dor	Food	110	0	0	11.0
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39	Provident	Bank, Discount	110	0	0	11.0
40	Flax Art Dev	Drugs, Stores	110	0	0	11.0
41	BTI	Chemicals, Plastics	110	0	0	11.0
42	Reckitt & Colman	Industrial L-R	110	0	0	11.0
43	Deceuninck	Industrial A-D	110	0	0	11.0
44	RHM	Food	110	0	0	11.0

SHORTS (Under Five Years)

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1	Marley	Building, Roads	110	0	0	11.0
2	Lloyds	Building, Roads	110	0	0	11.0
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4	Whitbread 'A'	Breweries	110	0	0	11.0
5	Combined English	Drugs, Stores	110	0	0	11.0
6	Jarvis (J) & Sons	Building, Roads	110	0	0	11.0
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FIVE TO FIFTEEN YEARS

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OVER FIFTEEN YEARS

34%	Wor Lin	5 1/2%	38 1/2	+ 1/2
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44%	Conv	5 1/2%	37 1/2	0
29%	Trans	5%	37	0
24%	Consols	2 1/2%	27 1/2	0
24%	Trans	2 1/2%	27 1/2	0

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2%	174%	Trans	L. 2%	1988	125 1/2	--
7%	58%	Trans	L. 2%	1980	125 1/2	--
7%	58%	Trans	L. 2%	1988	118 1/2	--
7%	58%	Trans	L. 2 1/2%	2001	104 1/2	--
7%	58%	Trans	L. 2 1/2%	2000	100	--
0%	55%	Trans	L. 2%	2005	105 1/2	--
0%	55%	Trans	L. 2%	2011	100 1/2	--
1%	78%	Trans	L. 2 1/2%	2013	88	--
2%	87%	Trans	L. 2 1/2%	2016	57	--
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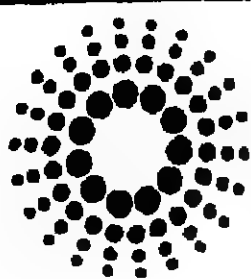
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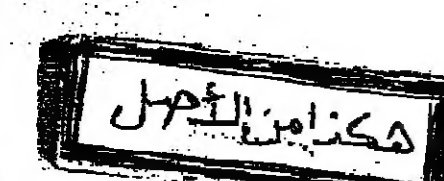
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BBC 1

6.00 **Cee-fax** 6.50 **Good Morning Britain** presented by Anne Diamond and Neil Owen. News with Geoff Meade at 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 9.00; financial news at 6.35; sport at 6.40, 7.00 and 8.40; overseas at 8.55 and 9.25; cartoon at 7.25; pop music at 7.55; Cee-fax 8.50. Joyce Doolan talks to a former convict sufferer at 9.05; Denny Le Rue at 9.12.

9.20 **Cee-fax** 9.50 **Gherber**. This week's edition of the magazine programme for Asian women includes Mrs Nigzar Nazki discussing the aims of her organisation, the Pakistani Women's Group, with Shabana Tahir and Swarna Tahir, and advice for her sufferer from Dr Ramila Patel. 10.15 **Play School**.

10.40 **International One-Day Cricket**. The first match in the two game Test series between England and New Zealand, introduced by Peter West at Headingley.

1.05 **News After Noon** with Richard Whitmore, includes news headlines with subtitles 1.15. Regional news. The weather details come from Ian McCaskill. 1.20 **Check-out**. A 50-second programme for the young presented by Carol Leader.

1.35 **International One-Day Cricket**. Further coverage of the 50-over side match at Headingley between England and New Zealand. 4.12 **Regional news**.

4.15 **News and Muttley**. Cartoon series 4.25. **Cartoon** and the Three Musketeers in Midway's Revenge. (r) 4.45 **So You Want to Be Top** presented by Gary Wilmot and Lani Harper.

5.00 **John Craven's Newsround** 5.10 **Held**. Episode two of the serial about a young orphan girl living with her grandfather in a remote alpine village. (r)

5.35 **The Flintstones**. Cartoon adventures of a modern Stone Age family.

6.00 **News with Nicholas Witchell** and Frances Goodall. Weather.

6.35 **London Plus**.

7.00 **Wogan**. Tonight's guests include Lulu who sings her old hit, recently released, 'Shout'; Peggy Mount; Peter Barkworth; and food historian Michelle Berrydale-Johnson.

7.35 **Lame Ducks**. Comedy series about a comedy group trying to get away from it all. Starring John Duttine, Lorraine Chase, and Grian Murphy. (r)

8.05 **News**. Pam and Mark discover that the jungle can be a treacherous place; while a charity function brings together all the warring parties. (Cee-fax)

8.50 **Points of View**. Barry Took delivers into the BBC's postbag once again.

9.00 **News with John Humphrys and Andrew Harcourt**.

9.30 **The Affricans**. In this penultimate programme of his series, Al Mazrui examines the clash of cultures throughout the continent. (see Choice)

10.25 **Flint: Tell Them Willie Boy is Here** (1969) starring Robert Redford, Katharine Ross and Robert Blake. A drama, set in turn-of-the-century California, about a young Red Indian who, when he returns to his reservation to claim his bride, accidentally kills his father. Coop, the Indian's sheriff friend, reluctantly leads a posse chasing after the fleeing couple. Directed by Abraham Polonsky.

12.00 **Weather**.

TV-AM

6.15 **Good Morning Britain** presented by Anne Diamond and Neil Owen. News with Geoff Meade at 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 9.00; financial news at 6.35; sport at 6.40, 7.00 and 8.40; overseas at 8.55 and 9.25; cartoon at 7.25; pop music at 7.55; Cee-fax 8.50. Joyce Doolan talks to a former convict sufferer at 9.05; Denny Le Rue at 9.12.

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9.25 **Thames news headlines** followed by **Survival**. The Rise and Fall of Elephant Marsh in southern Malawi. (r) 9.50 **Mika**. Part one of a new series about a young boy delivering a reindeer from his home to the Paris Zoo 10.15 **Cartoon** 10.20 **Children of Hong Kong**. The life of a family sharing a junk in Hong Kong harbour. (r)

10.35 **Real World**. Drama about a young boy and his mother, neither of whom can face the real world. (r) 11.00 **The Wuzzles**. Cartoon series about a family of bears 11.25 **Conspicuous Cat**. Cartoon. 11.30 **About Britain**. Another visit to the Grampian Sheepdog Trials.

12.00 **The Little Green Man**. Adventure of a visitor from outer space. (r) 12.10 **Our Backyard**. (r)

12.30 **Regrets?** John Stapleton talks to exotic ladies' underwear designer, Janet Rieger, and to former denim king, Nigel Wright.

1.00 **News at One** with Leonard Ross. 1.20 **Thames news** 1.30 **Man in a Suitcase**. McGill has the task of protecting a faint-hearted crook. (r)

2.30 **Cartoon** for Celebrations. Mary Barry prepares tasty food for a child's birthday party 3.00 **The High Road**. Drama series set in the Scottish highland estate of Glendarrach 3.25 **Thames news headlines** 3.30 **Sons and Daughters**. A repeat of the programme shown on 4.10 **The Moomins**. (r) 4.20 **Do It** presented by Sheelagh Gibney and Norman Tipton. (Oracle) 4.45 **Razzmatazz**. Pop music programme presented by David Jensen.

5.15 **Where Baby?** Ted Rogers, Nanette Newman and Mark Wymore try to guess the famous parent of a succession of youngsters. Presented by Bernie Winters.

5.45 **News with Carol Barnes** 6.00 **Thames news**.

6.25 **What's the Word?** Scramble games answered by Penny Junor and David Stafford.

6.35 **Crossroads**.

7.00 **Where There's Life...Dr Miriam Stoppard** sets out to find if laughter really is the best medicine.

7.30 **Coronation Street**. Life at Hilda's is losing its attraction to Sally Seddon. (Oracle)

8.00 **The Jim Davidson Show** with guests, Les Dennis, Chris 'n' Dave, 5 Star, and Jeffrey Holland.

9.00 **The Return of Sherlock Holmes**. The peerless sleuth investigates the kidnapping of a Duke's son from his preparatory school. (see Choice)

10.00 **News at Ten** with Alistair Burnet and Pamela Armstrong. Followed by **Thames news headlines**. Crime news. Part two of the seven-part programme on the secrets of the Mafia 'families' (Oracle) (r)

11.30 **Hammer House of Mystery and Suspense: The Corpse Investigator**. A police officer begins to pick up strange shadows on his recordings. Starring David McCullum. (r)

12.55 **Thoughts**.

CHOICE

what was sin under the old gods is now being seen as virtue under the new ones. Western-style wrestling has been successfully integrated with African-style wrestling and Swahili poems to the editor instead of letters sent in English seem too specialized an art. There would be a difficulty, too, in deciding what to do about the proliferation of dated Western brasses on African beaches. As Mazrui says: it is no wonder the Africans are culturally confused. Having been led to believe the Naked Ape was African, they now see that he is European.

THE PRIORITY SCHOOL (TV, 9.00pm). This week's edition of Holmes and Watson, is

BBC 2

6.55 **Open University: Technology - A Mile Run**. Ends at 7.20. 9.00 **Cee-fax**.

1.35 **The Physics of Matter**. An Open University production illustrating how quantum mechanics can be used to describe the distribution of speeds of molecules in a gas. Cee-fax.

2.00 **News**.

4.10 **International One-Day Cricket**. The closing session of play in the 55-over side match between England and New Zealand, the commentators at Headingley are Richie Benaud and Tony Lewis with summaries by Tom Graveney and Ray Illingworth.

7.30 **Designers**. This second of six films focuses on the work of Robert Welch who, from his Cotswold workshop, designs one-off silver presentations as well as mass-produced kitchen cutlery. He produces designs that provide work in the Sheffield plate industry; and help keep going a threatened craft workshop in the Shetlands.

8.00 **Sweet of the Sun**. Tears of the Moon, in the second programme of his series, Jack Pizzey travels down the Amazon in a dug-out canoe, a motor boat, a river steamer, a light plane, and a helicopter, meeting prospectors, developers, missionaries, and native Indians, all hoping to gain something from the jungle.

9.00 **W.A.S.T.U.** An exciting story of the 407th with Hawkeye discovering the cure for his Don Juan disease; Trapper receiving a lecture on medical ethics; Frank Burns giving love bites to the most unlikely people; and Klinger almost getting the discharge that he has been hoping to swing. (r)

9.25 **Smuggling: Daylight Robbery**, by Rose Tremain. Joan Hickson stars as Bea, a 70-year-old widow and grandmother who is in a strained financial circumstances, relying on her daughter and son-in-law to finance her little gambling spree. When her daughter tells her she must stop or she will be sent to a home, Bea decides on drastic action to maintain her lifestyle. With Lynn Farnleigh and Michael H. Edwards. Directed by Chris Goddard.

10.20 **Sing Country** from the Silk Cut Festival, presented by David Allan. On stage this evening are John Schneider, a Duke of Hazzard star; Gene Watson; and Rattlesnake Annie with Bill Moseley. Newnight. 11.30 **News**.

11.35 **International One-Day Cricket**. Highlights of today's 55-over side game between England and New Zealand at Headingley, introduced by Peter West.

12.10 **Open University: Constable and Turner** 12.35 **The Marriage of Figaro**. Ends at 1.05.

CHANNEL 4

2.15 **The Landings' House**. A repeat of last night's highlights of the day's proceedings in the Lords. Film: **Broken Silence** (1930) A re-make of the 1919 film by G.W. Pabst about a young woman who is befriended by a Chinaman after she is abandoned by her lover. She looks after her in their home in London's Limehouse district. Starring Dolly Haas and Emily Williams, and directed by Hans Brahm.

4.10 **The Blacksmith** (1921) starring Buster Keaton as a blacksmith who develops an assembly-line method of shoeing horses. Directed by Buster Keaton and Mal St. Clair.

4.30 **Dancer Days**. Things are getting on top of Julia and her friends. A film about the life of a dancer in the 1920s. Directed by John Howard.

5.00 **Alfie**. The honeymoon couple between Vera and Elliot seems to be at an end and especially when Elliot turns more attention to the piano they were given than he does to Vera.

5.30 **The Abbott and Costello Show**. Bob and Lou visit Lou's uncle in Alaska where they hear he has struck lucky in the goldfields.

6.00 **Fanny Ties**. American domestic comedy series.

6.30 **Stage 13**. Play to Luchon, a leg that includes a 17 kilometre climb reaching more than 7,000 feet high. Presented by Nick Owen with commentary by Peter Loggett and Paul Sherwen.

7.00 **Channel Four News** with Peter Sissons and Alastair Stewart. Weather.

8.00 **The Life of Catherine Hill**. A series on the history of the British people examines the effects that the Romans had on the British way of life. (r) (Oracle)

8.30 **Diverse Reports**. Christine Chapman examines the roots of the anti-racist tendency and talks to its critics - white and black.

9.00 **Opera on 4: Sister Puccini**. A live recording of Puccini's short opera, featuring soprano Rosalind Plowright in her La Scala, Milan, debut, singing the title role. Sister Angelica is the daughter of a Florentine nobleman who has been in the convent for several years, storing for the birth of her illegitimate son. She longs for news of the young boy and when it comes it is not good and Sister Angelica takes her own life. The Chorus and Orchestra of La Scala, Milan, are conducted by Gianandrea Gavazzeni.

10.00 **The Bad Seed** (1956) starring Toshiro Mifune. A drama about a son's revenge for the death of his father. He is the character of the man responsible for the deed as part of his grand design of vengeance. Directed by Akira Kurosawa. (English version) 12.25 **The Landings' House**. Highlights of the day's proceedings in the House of Lords. Ends at 12.40.

Peter Davalle

captains Tim Rice and Willie Rushton.

7.00 **The Archers**.

7.25 **Face the Facts**. Margo MacDonald investigates cases of injustice against individuals or offences against the public interest.

7.45 **The Seeds of Controversy**. Discussion about the causes of straining and how biology can contribute to the prevention of crime.

8.15 **Analysis**. Mary Golding asks where does nuclear power go from here.

8.30 **Thirty-Minute Theatre**. **Devil's Moon**, by Desmond Keane. With Orlando Wells, Patricia Gallimore and Robert Bead (r).

9.30 **Cowboy Story**. Covert County. Sam Semper meets Phil Povey, recently married and a former officer of the A.E.U.

9.45 **Kaleidoscope**. Includes comment on Barbara Pym's 'An Academic Question'.

10.15 **A Book at Bedtime**. The Third Policeman (3). Reader: Michael Maguire.

10.30 **The World Tonight**.

11.15 **The Financial World** Tonight.

11.30 **Today in Parliament**. VHF (available in England and Wales only) as above.

11.55 **News**. 12.00 **Weather**. 12.15 **News**. 12.30 **News**. 12.45 **News**. 1.00 **News**. 1.15 **News**. 1.30 **News**. 1.45 **News**. 2.00 **News**. 2.15 **News**. 2.30 **News**. 2.45 **News**. 3.00 **News**. 3.15 **News**. 3.30 **News**. 3.45 **News**. 4.00 **News**. 4.15 **News**. 4.30 **News**. 4.45 **News**. 5.00 **News**. 5.15 **News**. 5.30 **News**. 5.45 **News**. 6.00 **News**. 6.15 **News**. 6.30 **News**. 6.45 **News**. 7.00 **News**. 7.15 **News**. 7.30 **News**. 7.45 **News**. 8.00 **News**. 8.15 **News**. 8.30 **News**. 8.45 **News**. 9.00 **News**. 9.15 **News**. 9.30 **News**. 9.45 **News**. 10.00 **News**. 10.15 **News**. 10.30 **News**. 10.45 **News**. 11.00 **News**. 11.15 **News**. 11.30 **News**. 11.45 **News**. 12.00 **News**. 12.15 **News**. 12.30 **News**. 12.45 **News**. 1.00 **News**. 1.15 **News**. 1.30 **News**. 1.45 **News**. 2.00 **News**. 2.15 **News**. 2.30 **News**. 2.45 **News**. 3.00 **News**. 3.15 **News**. 3.30 **News**. 3.45 **News**. 4.00 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SPORT

One day when England can bounce back

By John Woodcock, Cricket Correspondent

England are back in the field today for the sixth time this summer and the fifteenth since late February when they played New Zealand at Headingley in the first of another brief series (two matches) of Texaco Trophy one-day internationals. The second of them will be at Old Trafford on Friday. In the event of rain, tomorrow can be used to finish today's match.

New Zealand are stronger at the moment, at any rate in Test cricket, than they have ever been. Within the last four years they have beaten Australia and Sri Lanka, at home and away, and India, England and Pakistan at home. Their one-day record is not so good. In Australia last winter, when they were the third side in the one-day World Series Cup, the finalists were Australia and India, and they have never fared particularly well at one-day cricket in England.

In the three World Cups to have been played here the best New Zealand have done was to reach the semi-finals in 1975. Of the eight one-day matches they have played at different times against England in England, their only victory was at Edgbaston in the World Cup of 1983 when they won with a ball to spare. Of the sides playing then, England have four survivors (Gower, Lamb, Gatting and Dilley) and New Zealand possibly as many as eight (Edgar, two Crowes, Coney, Smith, Hadlee, Bracewell and Chatfield).

No doubt New Zealand's comparative lack of success in the one-day game is tied up with the fact that Hadlee, their great match-winner, is restricted in the number of overs

he can bowl. Today and on Friday he will be allowed only 11 and if Gooch and Benson can get through the first five or six of them, according to how long his opening spell lasts, England will be in the open sea. In Test matches Hadlee can keep coming back but not in the Texaco Trophy.

In his support New Zealand may include two spinners, Bracewell (off) and Gray (slow left arm). Chatfield is still around and Coney is not as easy to get away as might be supposed from watching him bowl. But if Hadlee can be held off at the start, and the pitch plays as well as it should, England should be capable of something over 250.

The pitch is one of those reared in 1983. It lies next to last month's Test pitch, which

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was not satisfactory, and was used last year for Yorkshire's match with Somerset, when it played very well. Boycott, Moxon and Richards all making a hundred.

As a boost for the Test series which starts at the prize-money, these one-day games are well worth winning. For England, anything is worth winning at the moment. It is because they need to get back into the winning way that Lamb was preferred to Robert Bailey, of Northamptonshire, or Fairbrother, of Lancashire.

As soon as he was dropped by England after the second Test match against India, Lamb got among the runs for Northamptonshire, as Downton did for Middlesex when he was left out by England. In Downton's case he may have felt under less

pressure to justify his Test place in Lamb's "reminder" could have been what he needed.

Of all the players in today's match only Lamb has a proper batting average in one-day internationals of over 40. As captain, Gatting will be pleased, I expect, to have him back.

They should be two good games and if at any time a delegate to the International Cricket Conference should find himself watching, let him see the message for himself. I am prompted to say this by the ICC's latest damp squib.

For year after year they have stood to one side as the game has become more violent until now, because of all the short-pitched bowling, no one feels safe any more without a coat of armour.

Yet at Lord's on Saturday, because the Benson and Hedges Cup Final was played to the rules of one-day cricket and the ball was pitched up, we had no broken fingers, no ducking and weaving, and still a reasonably balanced contest between bat and ball. It will be the same today and again on Friday.

ENGLAND (from): G A Gooch (Essex), M R Benson (Kent), D J Gower (Leicestershire), W Gatting (Middlesex, captain), A J Lamb (Northamptonshire), C W J Athey (Gloucestershire), D R Briggs (Essex), J C Richards (Surrey), J E Embury (Middlesex), P H Edmunds (Middlesex), R M Ellison (Kent), G R Dilley (Kent), N A Foster (Essex).

NEW ZEALAND (from): J G Wright, B A Edgar, K R Rutherford, M D Crowe, J J Crowe, J V Bruntz (captain), E J Gray, R J Hadlee, I D S Smith, J G Bracewell, E J Chatfield, W Watson.

Umpires: B J Meyer and J Birkenshaw.

ATHLETICS

Davies hankers after the past

Lynn Davies, more affectionately known as Lynn the Leap, spoke from the heart: "I wish I were still out there as a competitor," he said. "There's nothing better than representing your country and going for a medal."

Davies, former Olympic, European and twice Commonwealth long jump champion was reflecting fondly on the Commonwealth Games. And though he rates his Olympic victory in Tokyo in 1964 as the high point of a career spread over 12 years to 1972, Davies says "The Commonwealth Games are the real friendly Games. I definitely have a soft spot for them."

This, perhaps, is not surprising, for it was in Edinburgh in 1970 that he won his second Commonwealth and

last major title before he bowed out of big-time athletics two years later. "When you compete in the Commonwealth Games, there is less pressure on you than in the Olympics or European championships," he said. "There is a far more friendly atmosphere, and because everyone speaks English you can chat about anything and ev-

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everyone understands you. Even me with my Welsh dialect!

"At the Olympics it is very difficult to pass even the time of day with a Russian weightlifter or East German hammer thrower. It's not that they are unsociable. I'm sure they would like to be friends,

but you just cannot get through the language barrier. At the Commonwealth Games, however, there is a tremendous feeling of camaraderie among the athletes, something that politicians all over the world just cannot understand."

Davies regrets that some countries are boycotting the Games. "When a country drops out to score a political point," he says, "all they do is perhaps destroy three or four years' work by their athletes. I would have found it soul-destroying to have gone to the Olympics or Commonwealth Games and then been told at the last moment that my country was not taking part and I had to go home."

Davies, who was manager of the British men's team in the Moscow and Los Angeles Olympics, believes boycotts have no effect. "Life just goes on as normal for the competitors who are still in the Games," he said. "It's only the athletes who are pulled out who suffer."

The trim 43-year-old Welshman trains three times a week and boasts the same figure as when he first appeared on the international scene.

In what is likely to be his last race before the Commonwealth Games, Sebastian Coe turns out for his club, Harrogate, this evening in the Berley Baxter Trophy contest at the New River Sports Centre, North London. The distance is 1,000 metres. Daley Thompson, Heather Oakes and several other internationals not involved at Nice last night will be on show. Admission is £2.

"My first appearance for Britain was in the 1962 European championships in Belgium and I remember them well for one reason. I was taking part in my first major long jump and the time came for my first jump. I was all set to go when I looked at my feet. I still had my warm-up shoes on. I was that nervous I had forgotten to put on my spikes!"

Davies still holds the British long jump record of 27 feet, set in Berne as long ago as July 1968. Does that surprise him?

"Well, I suppose it does and yet it doesn't," he said. "My British record would still put me in with a chance of a medal at the Commonwealth Games this year. I know you get freak jumps like Bob Beamon with his 29ft 2½in in Mexico in 1968. That was a real shaker, but not too many people beat 27ft, even today. And once, in training in Mexico, I had a jump of 27 ft 10in so I always knew I had more in me."

Sadly Davies has no official position at this year's Games. "I'm just a spectator," he says, somewhat wistfully.



Shining lights: Bernard Hinault, second favourite to Severiano Ballesteros for the Open Championship, ponders the imponderable ninth hole lurking in the shade of the lighthouse at Turnberry. The Royal and Ancient, the beacon by which every serious golfer is guided, threw him further off beam yesterday by ruling that the compass, an instrument that Langer leans on for gauging wind direction, is an artificial aid to aerial navigation and therefore unlawful.

Michael Bonallack, the R and A secretary, ruled: "Compasses will be banned."

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TENNIS

Navratilova goes back to her roots

Martina Navratilova, on her return to Prague for the first time since she defected in 1975, will lead the United States, the top seeds, into an opening tie against China or Israel in the Federation Cup, starting next Monday.

The supporting cast for the 29-year-old Wimbledon champion and world No. 1 makes impressive reading, the team including Chris Lloyd, Pam Shriver and Zina Garrison. With such strength in depth there is every chance the Americans will bring to an end Czechoslovakia's three-year supremacy in the tournament.

But with the hosts, who have shared an 11-year domination of the event with the United States, calling upon the likes of Hana Mandlikova — beaten by Navratilova in the Wimbledon final — Helena Sukova, Andrea Holikova and Regina Maslikova, the Americans will need to be on top form. And despite 24-year-old Mandlikova's 7-6, 6-3 defeat by Navratilova at the All England Club, she goes into the tournament lifted by an impressive victory over Mrs Lloyd, the world No. 2, in the semi-final.

Officials yesterday made the draw for the seedings, qualification round and the opening round, with Czechoslovakia seeded second and West Germany third. In all 42 countries, a record entry, will be competing, with 20 teams playing in a preliminary round on Sunday to earn places in the first-round proper.

Other top players competing in the week-long event include Gabriela Sabatini, of Argentina, Wendy Turnbull, of Australia and Carling Bassett of Canada. West Germany's seeding is justified by the presence of Steffi Graf, Claudia Kohde-Kilsch and Bettina Bunge in the team. It will be the first time the £200,000 tournament has been held in a Soviet-bloc country, and the finishing touches are still being put to a modern tennis stadium. The complex is located on the island of Stivanice, in the Vitava River that bisects the Czechoslovak capital. It seats 7,000 spectators around the center court of clay and has nine outside courts. The old Stivanice tennis courts closed in 1983 to make way for the new facility.

Verona (AP) — Thomas Berthold, the West German international defender, has reached an agreement with the Italian first division side, Verona, that may take him to Italy. However, Berthold could not start playing for Verona until next year when the Italians will readmit foreign players.

DRAW: Greece v Czechoslovakia; N Zealand v Italy; France v Sweden; Soviet Union v Bulgaria; Japan v Austria; Netherlands v Canada; Britain v Denmark; Hungary v Australia; United States v China or Israel; Spain v Chile or Indonesia; W Germany v Belgium or Finland; Brazil v Romania or Ireland; Argentina v Philippines or Uruguay; Switzerland v Taipei or Malta; Yugoslavia or Norway v Mexico or Poland; Egypt or Senegal v South Korea or Luxembourg.

CYCLING

Hinault's surprise attack

From John Wilcockson, Pau

Whenever Bernard Hinault decides to chance his arm in a race, the rest of the pack knows that there is danger, excitement and suffering lurking ahead. The great French cyclist, riding his final Tour de France, was in his most aggressive mood yesterday. He made an unpremeditated attack midway through what was already one of the most spectacular mountain stages anyone can remember, and 58 miles later he arrived in Pau to take the yellow jersey once again.

Hinault gave the 12th stage victory to the Spaniard Pedro Delgado, who had accompanied the Breton on his madcap breakaway on a succession of narrow, ever turning, climbing and descending roads that joined the plush resort of Bayonne with the spa town of Pau by way of the appropriately named Imperial Route of the Clouds.

Delgado, the winner of last year's Tour de Spain, and Hinault, who is now in line to win his sixth Tour de France, arrived almost five minutes ahead of Greg LeMond, Hinault's second in command, who proved the best of an 11-strong chasing group.

Robert Millar, of Scotland, was one of the victims of the attack. Although he moved up to fifth place overall, he was forced to do 90 per cent of the chasing. "I had to do most of the work for the last 20 miles," he said. "And then the others jumped away from me at the end." The frustrated Scot-

man was referring to the counter-attack made by LeMond and the Colombian Luis Herrera on the final climb of the stage.

Others were more heavily defeated. Laurent Fignon, the second French favourite, lost more than 11 minutes; Stephen Roche, who started the day in third place, finished more than 21 minutes behind; and Jorgen Pedersen, the yellow jersey for five days, was more than half an hour behind.

The destruction was partly caused by the phenomenal speed of the stage, almost 23 mph, perhaps the fastest mountain stage in Tour de France history. There were attacks right from the start and a break of 17 men, led by Hinault's team mate, Steve Bauer, and the Dutch rider, Steven Rooks, gained five minutes before the gigantic climb of the Col de Burdinouratcheta was reached, 47 miles into the stage.

Hinault, LeMond, Millar and Herrera set a fierce tempo up the five-mile climb that had an average gradient of 1:8. The temperature was approaching 30C as the 5,000 foot summit was reached.

After a long, dangerous descent, only 23 riders were left in the front. Fignon's group was already two minutes behind and destined to disappear in the dust kicked up by the huge platoon of vehicles following the leaders. Asked if this stage had

Trevino finds a perfect partner

By Mitchell Platt

Lee Trevino is convinced that one of the most unlikely clubs to be in a professional bag can assist his assault on the 115th Open championship which starts at Turnberry tomorrow.

Trevino will rely heavily on a metal seven wood with which to escape from the penal rough that threatens to sabotage a cluster of score cards this week.

"I picked it up after the US Open last month where I had trouble advancing the ball out of the rough," said Trevino. "I think a lot of people should look into using one. It's the most amazing club I've ever had — and I've had them all."

The ball comes out of the rough as if you're hitting from the fairway. It's great for getting a clean strike if the ball is in a divot. And I hit the seven wood the same distance that I hit a four iron, so I've been able to discard that one to make room in the bag."

Trevino's seven wood has 27 degrees of loft and he clearly expects to employ the club regularly. "If the wind blows this week, and it will, then you could shoot 80 out there and make up ground," added Trevino.

Trevino, who won the Open in 1971 and 1972, is hoping to maintain the trend set this year by Jack Nicklaus and Ray Floyd. Nicklaus, aged 46, became the oldest winner of the US Masters in April and Floyd followed suit by winning the US Open last month at the age of 43 years and nine months.

Old Tom Morris won the Open in 1867 at the age of 46 years and 99 days. And Trevino, who will be 47 in December, said: "I wasn't surprised by Jack's and Ray's wins and if the wind blows this week then the old Lee Trevino and the new seven wood could prove a winning combination."

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A punch that hit the jackpot

By David Miller

It would be more rational to consider that Frank Bruno has a chance of becoming the first British heavyweight since Bob Fitzsimmons to hold the world title had he won any previous fights worth the name. The truth is that he has never had one. When he climbs into the ring at Wembley early on Sunday morning it will be more of a testimony to the artfulness of his handlers than to his status as a genuine contender.

I fear that the amiable Bruno is reaching out for the Everest of boxing like an inexperienced mountaineer who has been lifted to the North Ridge by helicopter. An absence of altitude training and a sudden sharp lack of oxygen are about to account for his never mistaking this Wembley arena for a boxing ring. Bruno has been guided toward Sunday's jackpot by Terry Lawless and Mickey Duff on a computerized route shrewdly devoid of distracting obstacles.

Few men have won the heavyweight crown who did not have the boxing brain to endure a long bout which at times turns against them. It is no use having only a big punch; moreover, those who could hit usually also had the capacity to ride a few blows. There is no evidence that Bruno can defend himself in a level fight, and a frightening suspicion that he cannot take a punch.

"If he's got a glass chin, the fight won't go as far as it should," Witherpoon's trainer, Slim Robinson, says. "We've got to be standing on his chest, backing him up. We've trained for a 15-round fight, but if at any time he feels he can capitalize on a situation, he'll go for it."

Convincing victory over Boncrasher

Robinson was with Ali in his last few fights, including the Holmes fiasco in Las Vegas. He takes his line for Sunday from Witherpoon's convincing points victory over Boncrasher Smith who had earlier inflicted Bruno's one defeat with a 10th round knockout. In the five fights of Bruno which I have seen he has looked alarmed, his eyes uncomprehending and his feet moving unceasingly so as to leave him off balance, whenever he has been attacked, however briefly.

It will be surprising if the fight goes more than three rounds, with a remote possibility of Bruno being the one still standing. "Lawless has said that at one in the morning his man is normally asleep," Robinson says. "So I hope they bring a blanket for the fight, because I wouldn't want to spoil his bedtime pattern."

On Monday, Robinson decided that Witherpoon's workout would be in private. The entourage of 20 watching of the likes that their man is in no condition to attack anything other than the next meal and is, in effect, a Trilobite holder of the World Boxing Association title. A hundred or more fight fans, not a few of them wishing to observe the opposition at close quarters before placing a dispirited sliver of their wad on the outcome, had to be content with watching Witherpoon amble over to the training hall with his allegedly superluous pounds hidden beneath his sweat-soaked shirt.

Overall positions: 1. Hinault 51:36:29; 2. LeMond, at 51:36:29; 3. Zimmerman, 6:22; 4. Delgado, 6:57; 5. Millar, 7:23; 6. Bernard, 7:47; 7. Bauer, 7:48; 8. Macdon, 8:42; 9. Ciquelion, 8:56; 10. Wimmer, 10:25; Other Placings: 33. Roche, 21:5; 67. Early, 35:53.

PAU (Reuter) — Inga Thompson, of the United States, won the fifth stage of the women's Tour de France here yesterday. She was the fastest in a 28 kilometre time trial from Arudy with 42min 23sec.

FIFTH STAGE: 1. Thompson (U.S.) 42:23; 2. M. Carlini (U) 1:02:40; 3. V. Simonnet (Fr) 1:10; 4. Jeanette Longo (Fr) 1:20; 5. V. Lafargue (Fr) 1:32.

OVERALL: 1. M. Carlini 10:18:12; 2. J. Longo 11:15; 3. Thompson, 11:15; 4. G. Thompson, 11:15; 5. G. Thompson, 11:15; 6. G. Thompson, 11:15; 7. G. Thompson, 11:15; 8. G. Thompson, 11:15; 9. G. Thompson, 11:15; 10. G. Thompson, 11:15; 11. G. Thompson, 11:15; 12. G. Thompson, 11:15; 13. G. Thompson, 11:15; 14. G. Thompson, 11:15; 15. G. Thompson, 11:15; 16. G. Thompson, 11:15; 17. G. Thompson, 11:15; 18. G. Thompson, 11:15; 19. G. Thompson, 11:15; 20. G. Thompson, 11:15; 21. G. Thompson, 11:15; 22. G. Thompson, 11:15; 23. G. Thompson, 11:15; 24. G. Thompson, 11:15; 25. G. Thompson, 11:15; 26. G. Thompson, 11:15; 27. G. Thompson, 11:15; 28. G. Thompson, 11:15; 29. G. Thompson, 11:15; 30. G. Thompson, 11:15; 31. G. Thompson, 11:15; 32. G. Thompson, 11:15; 33. G. Thompson, 11:15; 34. G. Thompson, 11:15; 35. G. Thompson, 11:15; 36. G. Thompson, 11:15; 37. G. Thompson, 11:15; 38. G. Thompson, 11:15; 39. G. Thompson, 11:15; 40. G. Thompson, 11:15; 41. G. Thompson, 11:15; 42. G. 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